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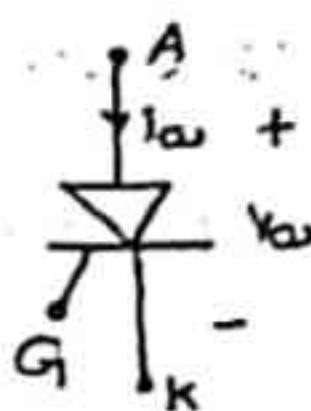
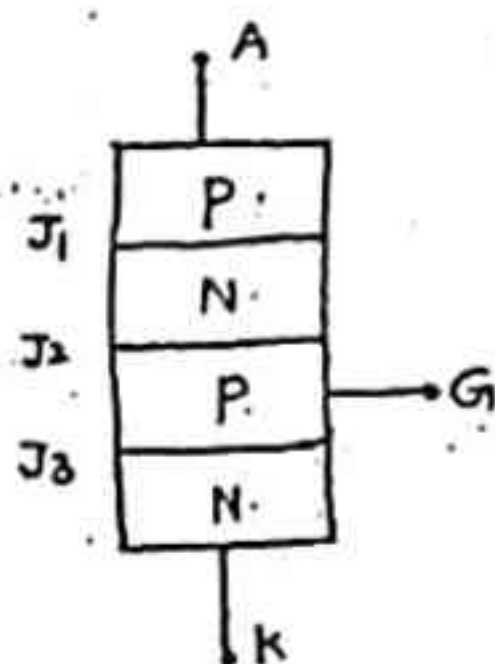
* "Diode" is a "Uncontrolled" Device. "Thyristor" is a "Controlled" device where the instant of conduction can be controlled after applying the forward voltage.

* Due to this control, ϕ p voltage, current and power may be controlled.

* "Thyristor" is the name given to the "family" of devices and having a common structure "pnpn" and they will be useful in power control applications.

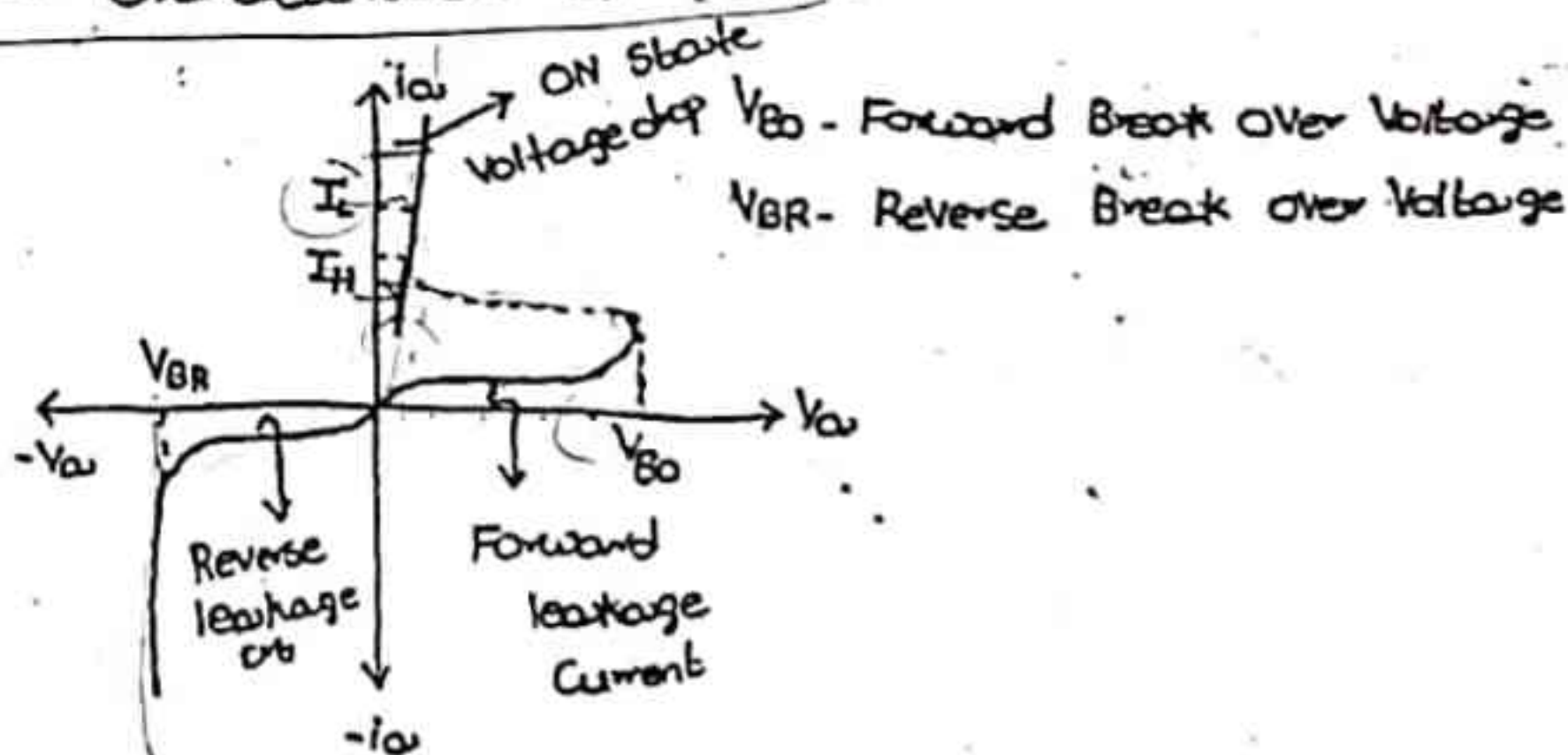
* SCR is the first "member" of "Thyristor" family.

SCR:

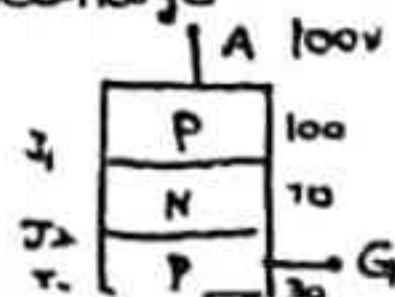


- * External p-layer Terminal - Anode
 - * Internal p-layer Terminal - Gate
 - * Outer n-layer Terminal - Cathode
- } Four layered
Three junction
device
- * SCR is a 4 layered, three junction, three terminal pnpn device.

Static Characteristics of SCRS:



* In the fwd blocking state, J_1, J_3 are fwd biased. J_2 will be reverse biased. only leakage current flows i.e., fwd leakage current.



J_2 reverse
biased as
... - N

* In the "Forward blocking state", SCR is equivalent to "open switch" ("Voltage" across the device is same as the "Supply Voltage" and "Current" is "Forward leakage current". (Assume to be 0)

1) Forward Voltage Triggering:

* In this method, a high Forward Voltage will be applied due to which Reverse biased Junction "J₂" break down, SCR starts Conduction.

* The Amount of Forward Voltage reqd to turn on the SCR (without gate pulse) is known as Forward breakover Voltage. "Avalanche Break down"

"Turn on" of SCR - "Forward Blocking State" to "Forward Conduction State"

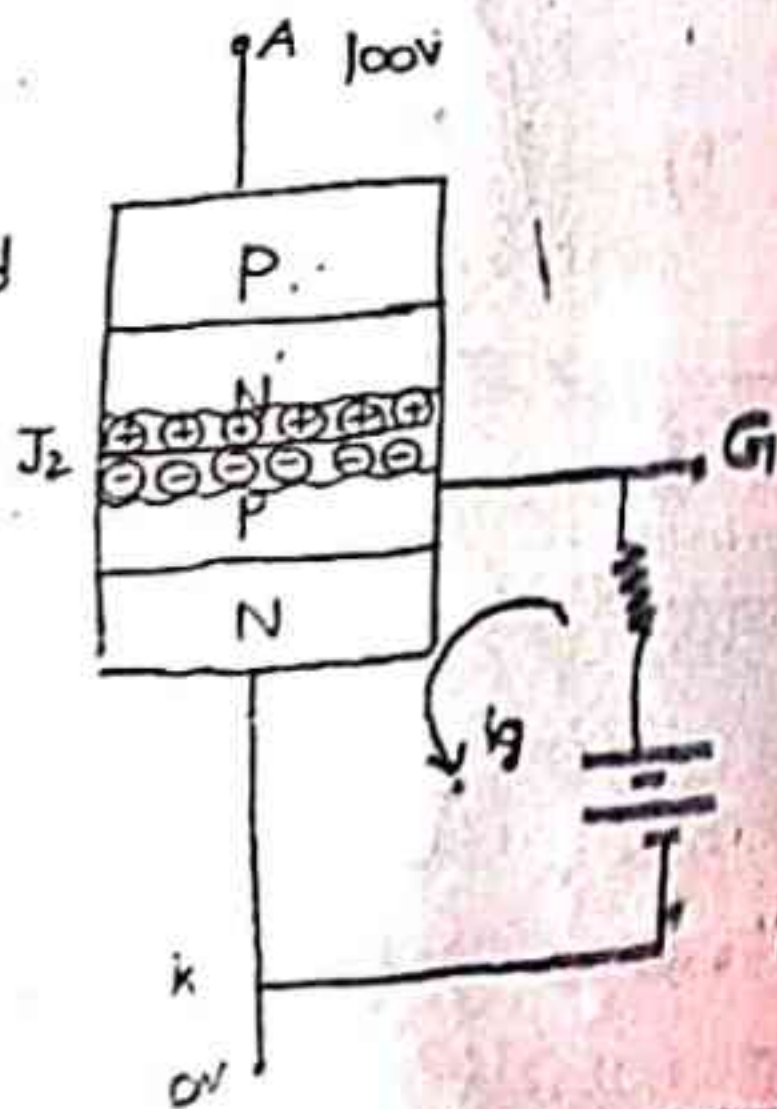
"Turn off" of SCR - "Forward Conduction State" to "Forward Blocking State"

In the Forward Conduction state, SCR is equivalent to closed switch. The "Voltage" across the device is "Forward Voltage drop" and "Current" through the device is "load Current".

* It is a method to turn on the SCR but not a practical method bcz it needs a high Voltage.

2) Gate Triggering:

J₂ is Reverse biased and contains some depletion layer (Imaginary ions (no Charge Carriers))

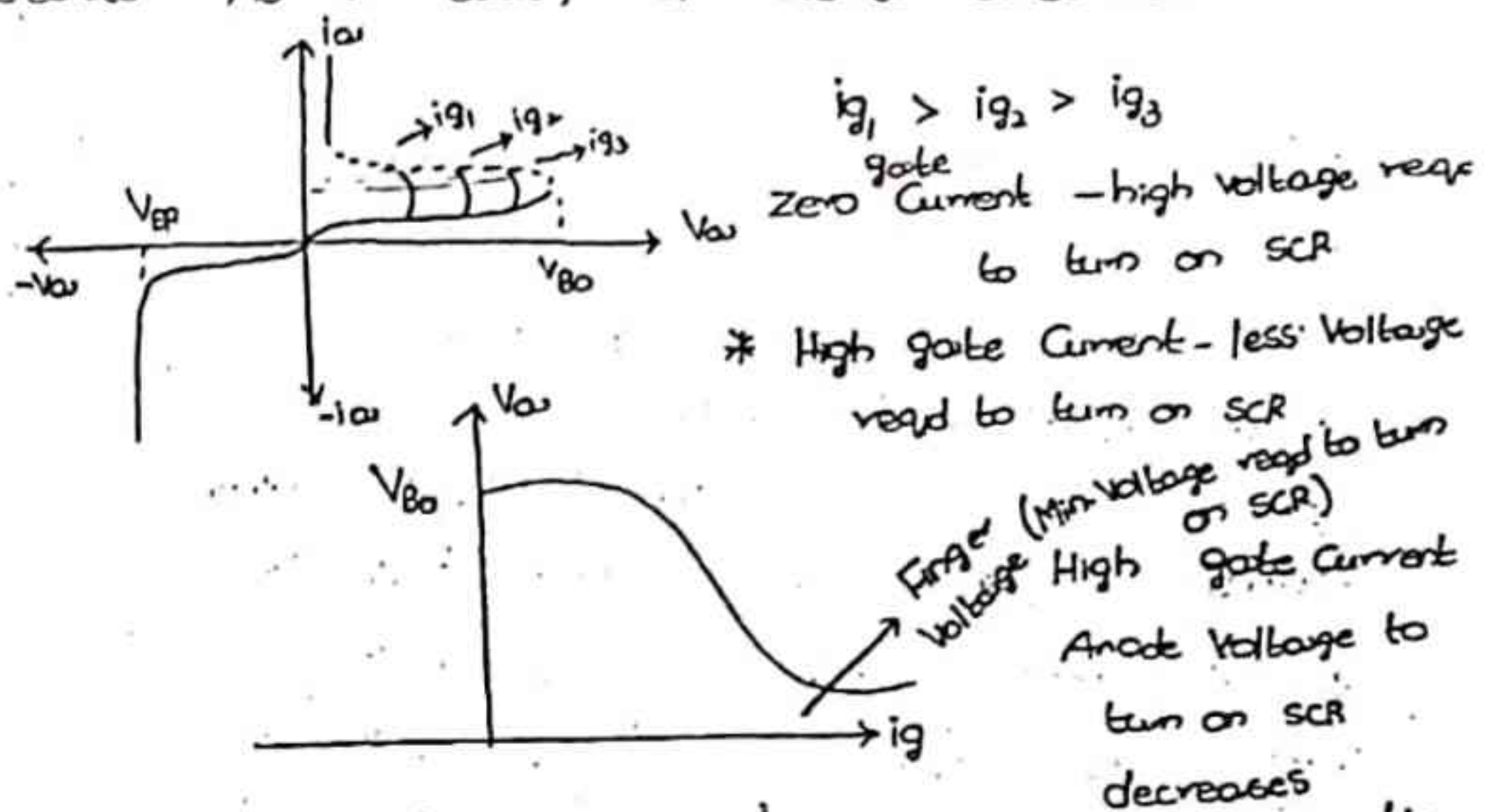


I_g - due to movement of charge carriers

Some move depletion layer and recombination takes place

* A small Voltage will be applied across Gate to Cathode, then the

Current is due to movement of charge carriers. Then recombinations will be taking place in depletion layer due to availability of charge carriers. Hence, width of depletion layer decreases. As a result, SCR starts conduction.

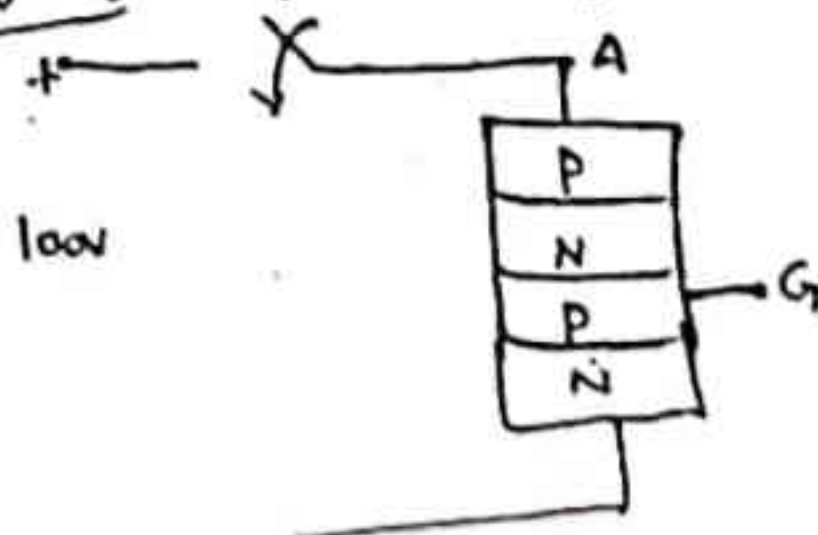


- * By employing the "higher values" of the gate currents, the "Anode Voltage" reqd to "turn on" the "SCR decreases"
- * A "Min. Forward Voltage" reqd to "turn on SCR" for any gate current and it is known as "Finger Voltage"
- * Great advantage of Gate triggering allows to turn on SCR for a Range of Voltages by applying appropriate gate currents.

③ Thermal Triggering: In this method, SCR will be heated up due to which energy levels of charge carriers will be increased, as a result we are able to cross the junction and allow the conduction.

④ Light Triggering: An Intensified light being ^{aim} focused on SCR due to which energy levels of charge carriers increases. Hence, the device starts conduction.

⑤ dv/dt Triggering: (Internally developed Mechanism)



$V_1 = 0$ (Before closing switch)

$V_2 = 100V$

$dt = 1ms$ (Time to develop)

$$C_J = 1 \mu F \quad ; \quad I = C_J \frac{dv}{dt} \quad (\text{charging current})$$

$$= 1 \times 10^{-6} \frac{(100-0)}{1 \times 10^{-3}} = 0.1 \text{ A}$$

If charging current is more than rated gate current of SCR, SCR conducts

* While applying the forward Voltage, the Junction Cap. will be subjected to rate of change of Voltage (dv/dt), it results into a charging current $[I = C \frac{dv}{dt}]$.

If the Value of charging current more than rated gate current of SCR, then it starts conduction. This method is known as (dv/dt) triggering

* No Control (Control is lost) after applying the Forw Voltage (As Gate is, not involved)

If we want to avoid (dv/dt) triggering, dv/dt should be low

* Due to lack of Control Action, ($\frac{dv}{dt}$) triggering is to be avoided. It is possible by making lower Value of (dv/dt)

* Out of all methods, Gate triggering is preferable

Latching I_{LT} : It is associated with turn on process. It is the min. Value of I_{LT} above which anode current should rise for the reliable turn on of the SCR

The trigger pulse should be applied along with SCR till anode I_{LT} rises above the Latching I_{LT}

Holding I_{TH} : It is associated with turn off process. It is the min. Value of I_{TH} below which Anode I_{TH} should fall for the reliable turn off of the SCR

* It is useful to apply the reverse Voltage during turn-off process of the SCR

$$I_L > I_H$$

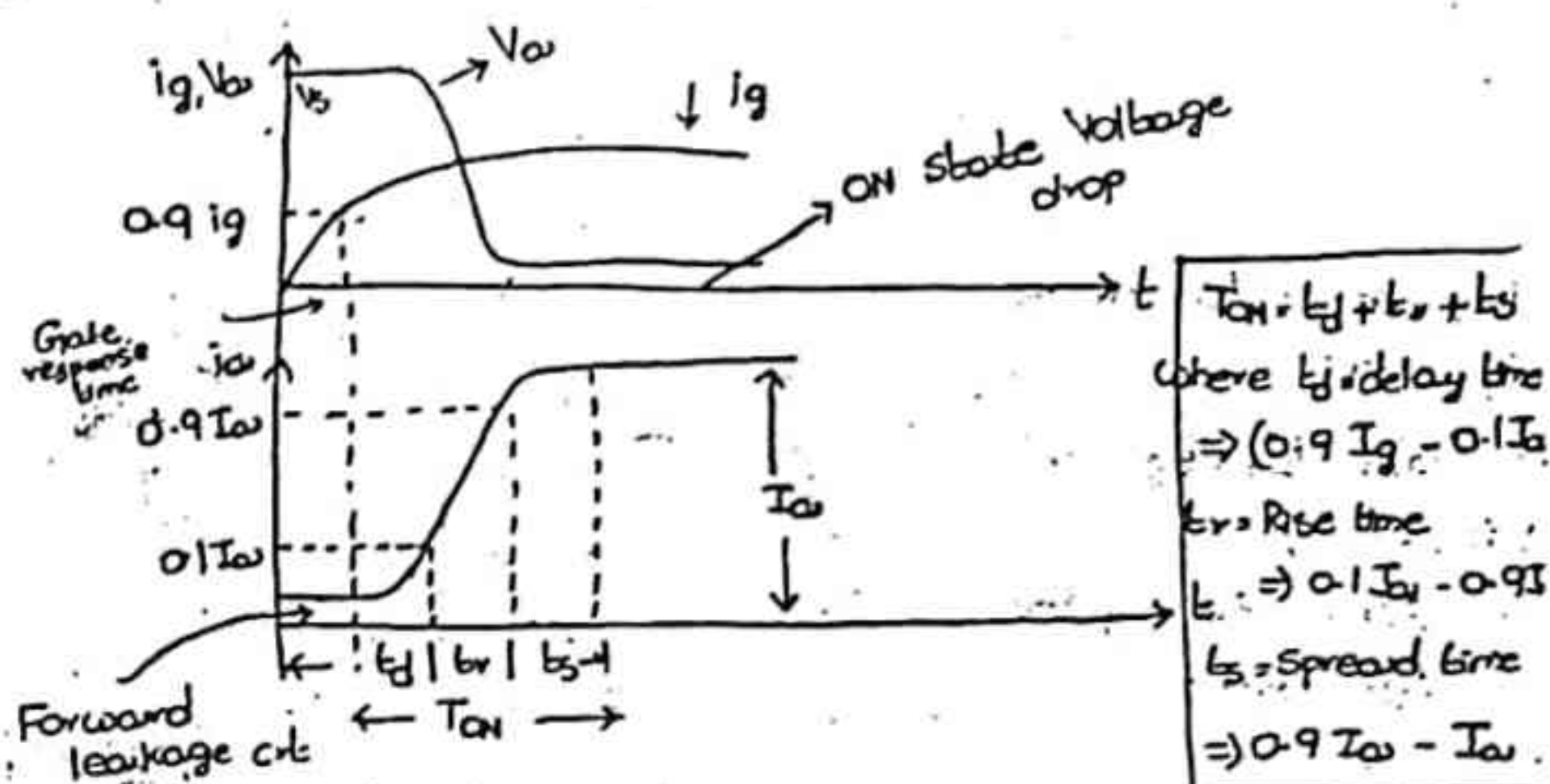
$$\frac{I_L}{I_H} = 2.5-3$$

In reverse blocking state, J_1 & J_3 are reverse biased but J_2 is forward biased and only reverse

allow the conduction in reverse direction is known as Reverse Break over Voltage

* SCR is having "higher ^{reverse} Voltage drops" and "power loss". So, it is not allowed to utilise in the "Reverse Conduction State"

Dynamic / Switching Characteristics:



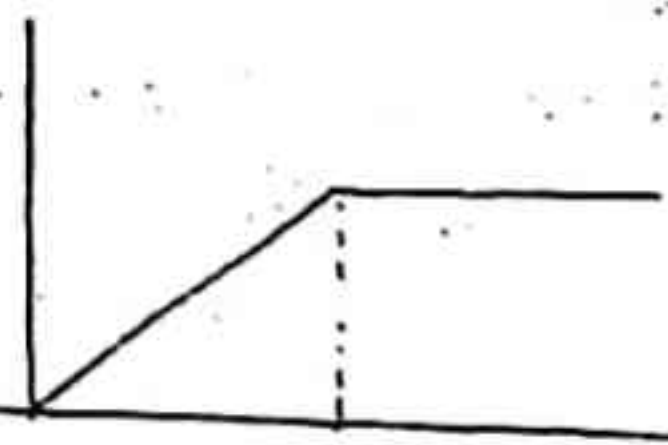
Turn on Time: It is the time taken by the SCR from the instant of " $0.9 I_g$ " to steady state value of Anode Current (or Load Current)"

* SCR is considered to be charge controlled device by employing higher values of Gate Current, turn on time can be decreased.

Eg: $Q = 1 \mu C$
 $Q = I \times t$
 $1 \mu C = 1 A \times t$
 $\Rightarrow 2 A \times 0.5 \mu s$
 $= 5 A \times 0.2 \mu s$

* "Higher Values" of "Gate Current" will "reduce" the "delay time"; it in turn "reduces" the "total turn on time".

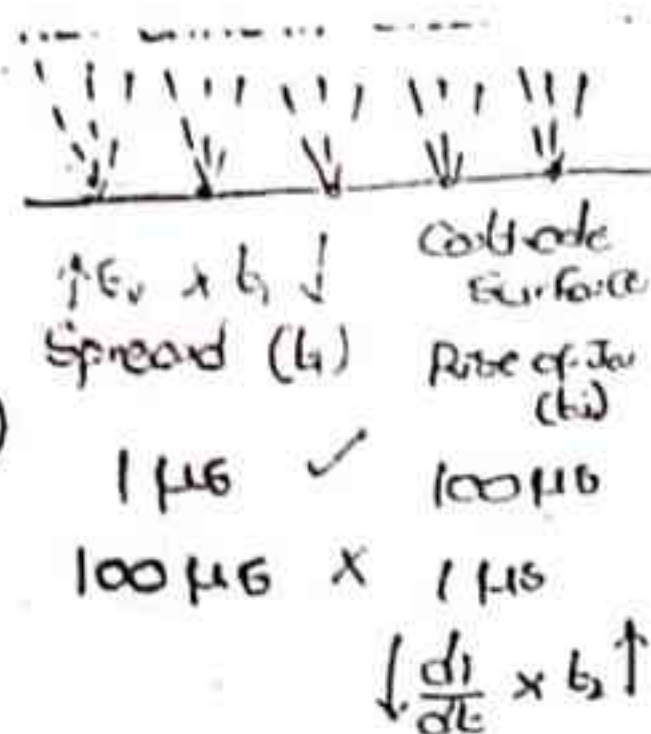
* During the turn-on process, local hot spots could be formed if rate of rise of Anode Current (di/dt) is more than the spreading velocity of charge carriers.



* This is due to non-uniform current distribution on the cathode surface.

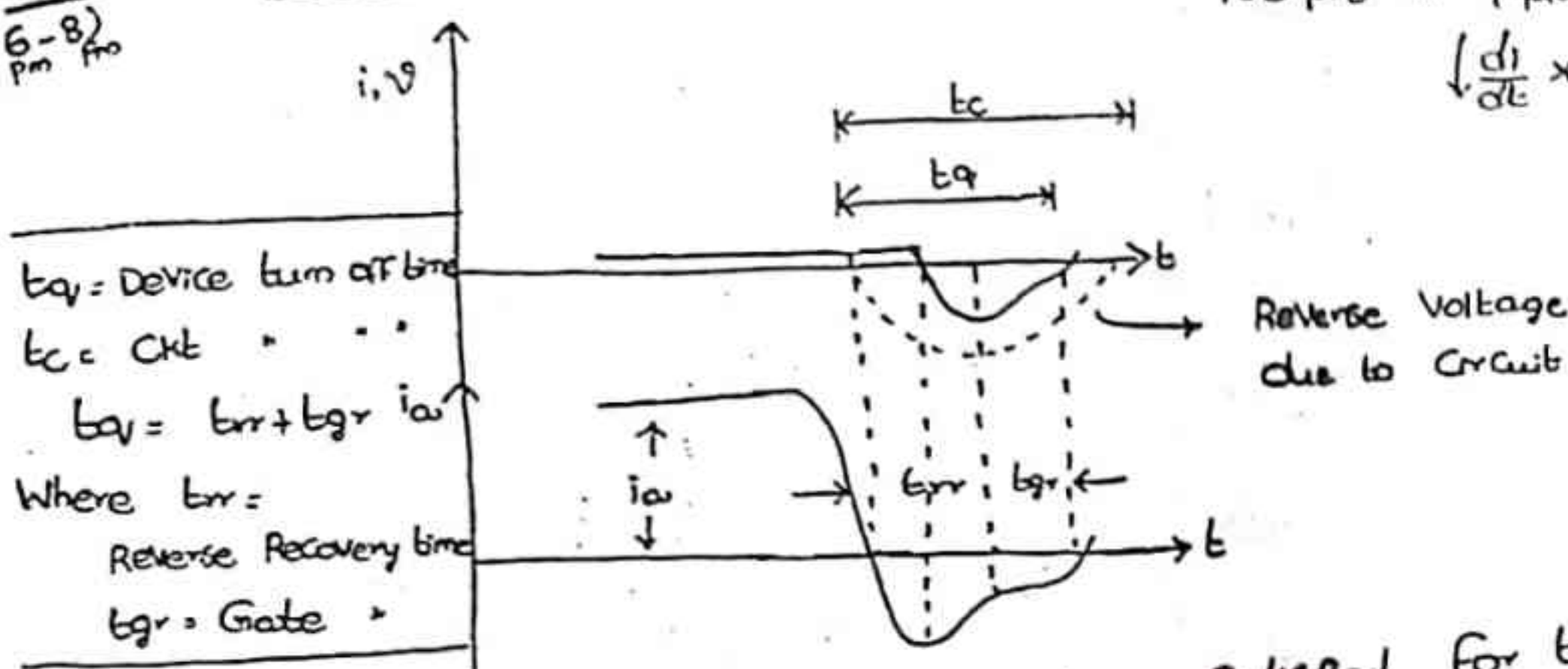
* Local hot spots can be avoided by employing lower

* Local hot spots dominantly occur during rise time interval as the power loss is more in that duration



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Turn-off:-



* The following conditions are to be satisfied for the turn-off of SCR

- Reduce the Anode Current below Holding Current
- Apply Reverse Voltage for sufficient duration to remove the energy possessed by charge carriers. It will be happened by removal of carriers / by recombinations

A Special Circuit will be designed in power Electronic Converters to apply the reverse Voltage for the turn-off of the SCR. This circuit is known as Commutation Circuit.

- * Device turn off time: It is the time reqd by the device to complete its turn-off process.
- * Ckt turn off time: It is the time given by the Ckt for the SCR to complete its turn-off process.

Always $t_c > t_{gr}$

- * During the reverse recovery time, external layers will be recovered by removal of carriers.
- * During gate recovery time, inner layers will be recovered by recombinations.
- * SCRs with $t_{cr} \leq 50 \mu s$ are known as

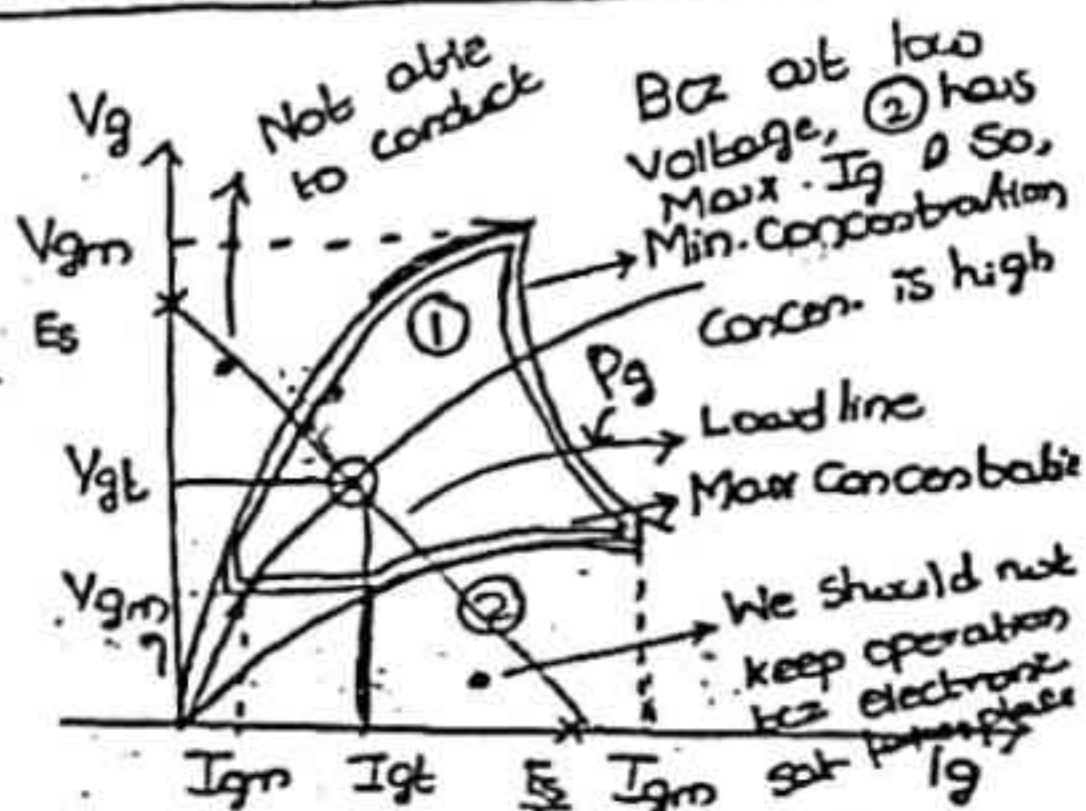
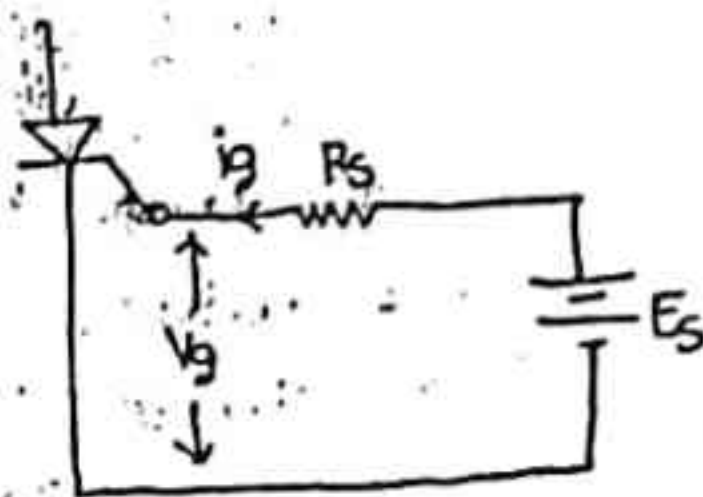
Eg: Inverters, choppers & step up Cyclo Converters.

- * SCRs with slow turn-off time ($t_{q} > 50 \mu\text{sec}$) are known as Converter grade SCRs

Eg: Apps: phase Controlled rectifiers, Ac Voltage Controllers, step down Cyclo Converters.

- * If the temp. & an Current through SCRs increases then turn-off / device turn-off time also increases

Gate characteristics:



* Gate characteristics of 'SCR' is same as the forward characteristics of Pn-Junction

* The min. Value prescription over the positioning of operating point is to enter & avoid the Max triggering due to noise signal

If $I_g = 0$, $V_g = E_g$ and If $V_g = 0$, then S.C occurs then max Current flows $I_g = E_g / R_g$

* Gate operating point V_{gt} , I_{gt} will be obtained by the intersection of Gate to Cathode characteristics and load line.

* operating points should be so Selected that the resultant gate currents are higher in Magnitude so that turn on time decreases.

$$E_g = V_g + I_g R_g$$

$$P_g = V_g \cdot I_g$$

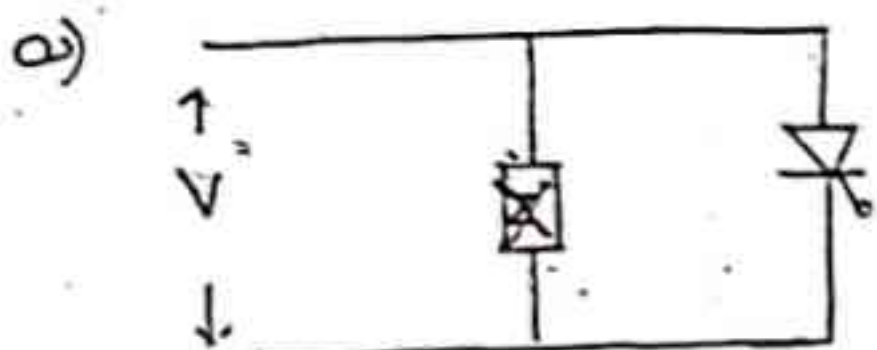
$$\text{Slope of Gate to Cathode characteristics} = \frac{V_g}{I_g} \quad (V/A)$$

$$\text{Slope of Load line} = \frac{E_g}{R_g} = R_g$$

Protection of SCs :-

- a) Over Voltage Protection - Varistor, Variable Capacitor, Fast acting Current limiting
- b) Over Current protection - Circuit breaker, Fuse,
- c) Thermal protection - Heat Sinks (Aluminium)
- d) dv/dt Protection - Snubber Ckt (Series R, C Combination)
- e) dI/dt Protection - Series Inductor

* Voltage slowly increases but not suddenly, if it crosses V_Z damages & SCR protects



$$V = L \frac{di}{dt}$$

All loads are inductive in nature, so when there is change in current due to switching operation

$$V = L \frac{di}{dt}$$

$$L \frac{dr}{dt} = \infty$$

So, overvoltages occur

* If 'high currents' occur
before 'circuit breaker'

LEGO bricks will be used

IF over load occurs

be. Crawb breaker tips

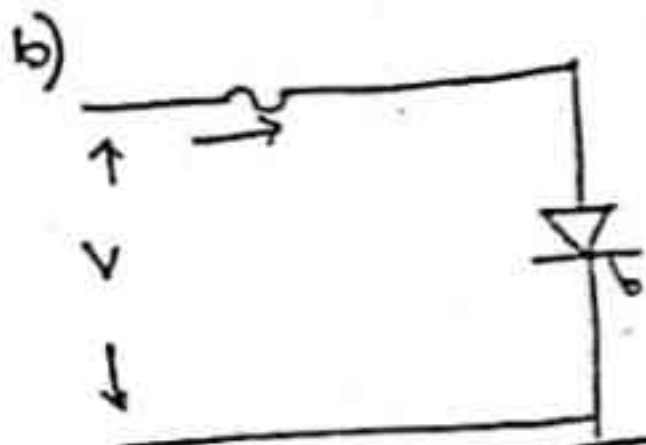
IF CB don't trip,

Free books more time

to blow, device gets

to blow, device
to lead up

- heated up



If normal fuses are used, then fuse is safe but SCR is damaged. But if Fast acting fuse (Semi Conductor) used SCR is protected.

d) For safe operation, $\frac{dv}{dt}$ should be low. For getting low $\left[\frac{dv}{dt}\right]$, there are two ways

i) Δv should be low

2) dt should be high

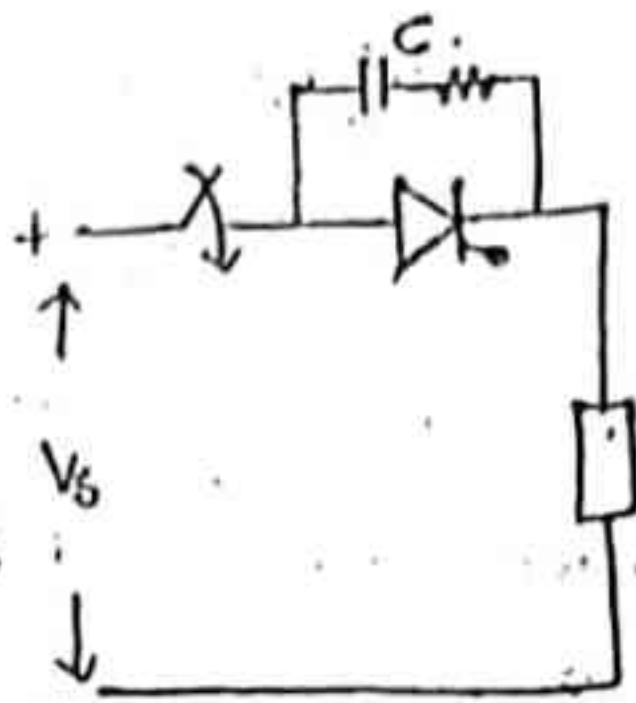
$$V_1 = 0$$
$$V_2 = V_3$$
$$\downarrow dv = v_s$$

So, no possibility

bcz GCR is a swi

So, take little more time, the development of Voltage across SCR is delayed which can be ... Capacitor

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W/o Capacitor With Capacitor

$$V_1 = 0$$

$$V_2 = V_s$$

$$t_1$$

$$V_1 = 0$$

$$V_2 = V_s$$

$$t_2$$

$$(t_2 > t_1) \text{ then } \frac{dv}{dt} \downarrow$$

* Resistance in the Snubber Ckb is to limit the discharge the current to safe values while the SCR comes into conduction.

e) $\frac{di}{dt}$ protection :: $di \downarrow$ (or) $dt \uparrow$

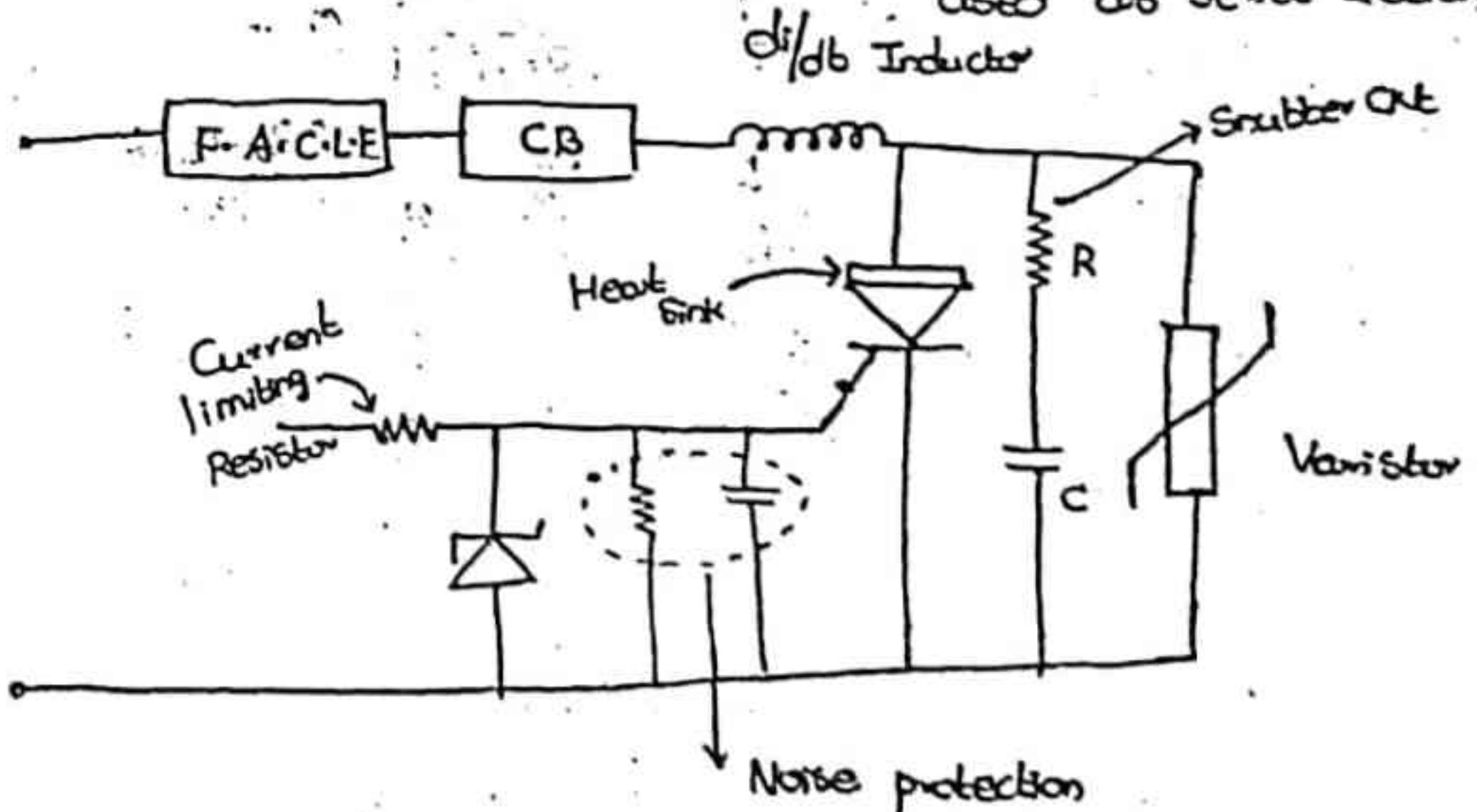
$$I_1 = 0$$

$$I_2 = I_L$$

$$\downarrow di = I_L \downarrow$$

(We don't allow to decrease I_L because it merely depends on our requirement)

So, the only chance is to delay the SCR in building up the current which could be possible only by an Inductor (So, it is used as Series Inductor)

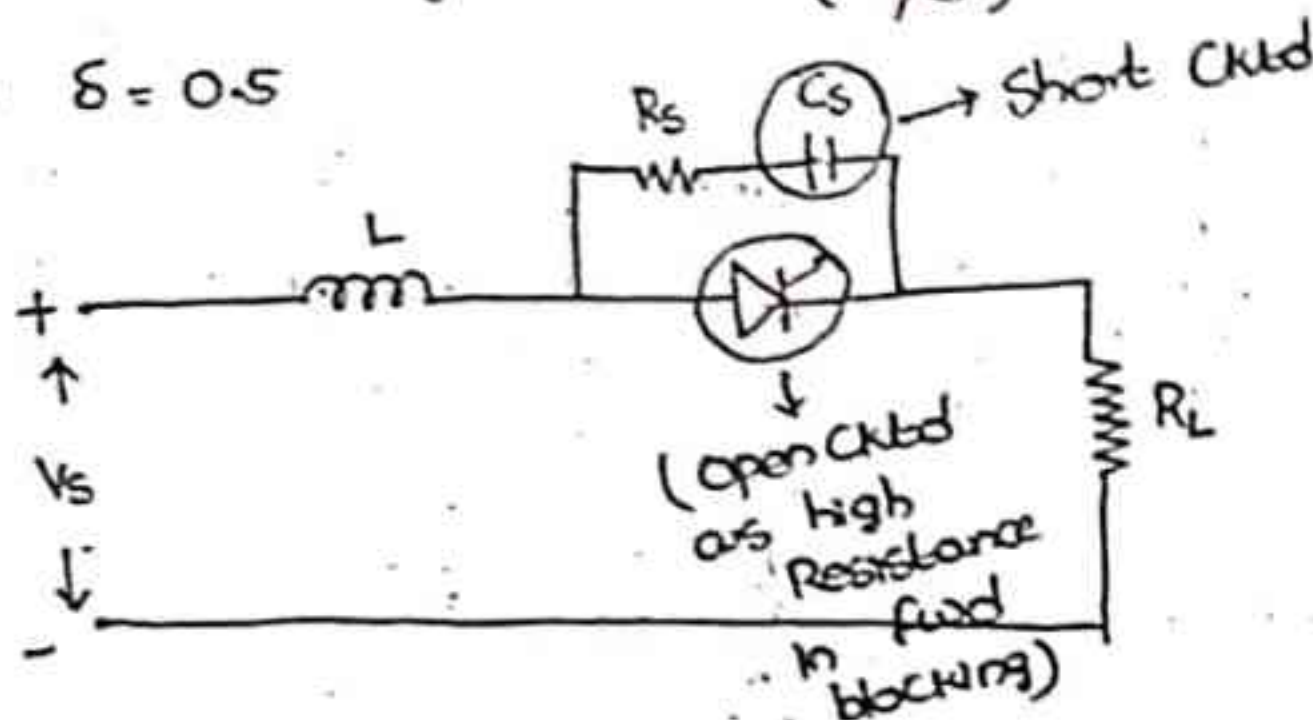


* A Resistance Connected across Gate to Cathode terminals is to make the protection against Noise signals.

~~the protection~~

* Design of Snubber Ckt:

P. A Thyristor is placed b/w a Const. Dc Voltage Source of $V_s = 240\text{ V}$ and a load Resistance of R_L . The specified limits of (dv/dt) and (di/dt) of SCR are $200\text{ V}/\mu\text{s}$ & $60\text{ A}/\mu\text{s}$ respectively. Determine the values of snubber Ckt parameters along with (di/dt) Inductor. Take damping Ratio $\delta = 0.5$



Inductor - open
Capacitor - Short

$$V_s = L \frac{di}{dt} + (R_s + R_L)i$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{di}{dt} + \left(\frac{R_s + R_L}{L} \right) i = \frac{V_s}{L}$$

$$i = \frac{V_s}{(R_s + R_L)} \left[1 - e^{-\left(\frac{R_s + R_L}{L} \right) t} \right]$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{di}{dt} = \frac{V_s}{(R_s + R_L)} \left\{ 0 + e^{-\left(\frac{R_s + R_L}{L} \right) t} \times \left(\frac{R_s + R_L}{L} \right) \right\}$$

$$\frac{di}{dt} = \frac{V_s}{L} e^{-\left(\frac{R_s + R_L}{L} \right) t}$$

$$\left. \frac{di}{dt} \right|_{t=0} = \frac{V_s}{L} e^{-0} = \frac{V_s}{L}$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{L = \frac{V_s}{(di/dt)}}$$

$$V = i \cdot R_s$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dv}{dt} = \frac{di}{dt} \cdot R_s \Rightarrow$$

$$\boxed{R_s = \frac{(dv/dt)}{(di/dt)}}$$

* In Series RLC ckt energised by DC Supply
then KVL eqn becomes

* Series, Parallel Operation of SCRS:

* SCRS should be connected in series to get higher Voltage Ratings. SCRS should be connected in parallel to get higher Current Ratings.

$$\eta_{Ss} = \left(\frac{\text{Actual Voltage}^{\text{rating}} \text{ of the String}}{\eta_s \times \text{Actual Voltage}^{\text{rating}} \text{ of each SCR}} \right)$$

(Series operation)

$$\eta_s = \left(\frac{\text{Actual Current rating of the String}}{\eta_p \times \text{Actual Current rating of SCR}} \right)$$

(Parallel)

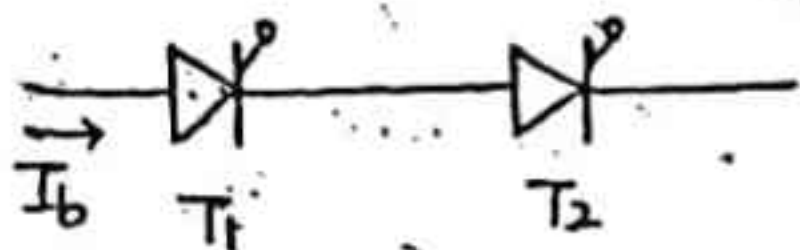
Always $\eta_s \ll 1$

Derating Factor (DRF) = $1 - \eta_s$

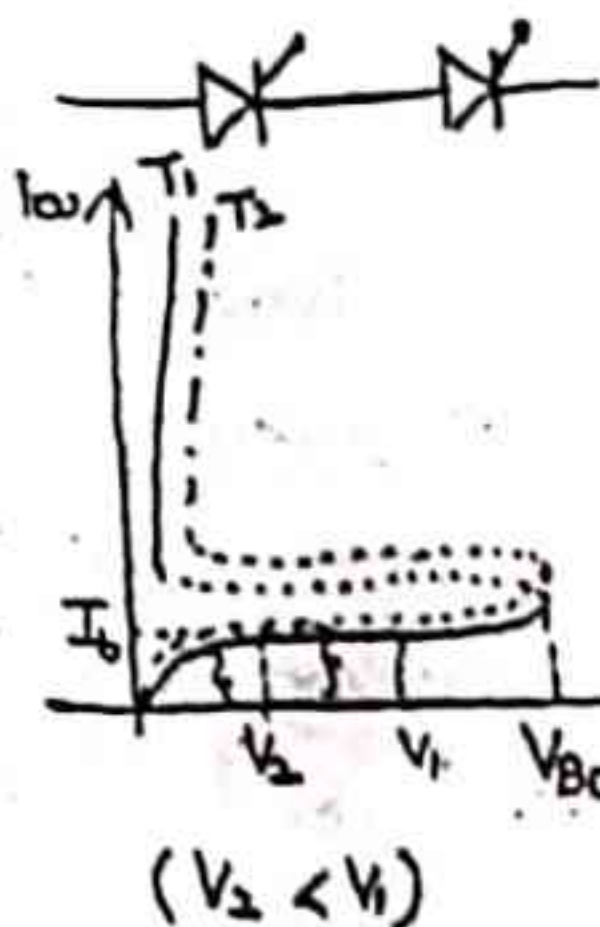
Indicate Rating not useful to System performance

* DRF physically denotes the rating of device which is not useful for the operation of the system. *

Series operation of the SCRS:



$$\begin{aligned} \eta_s &= \frac{V_1 + V_2}{2V_1} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \left(1 + \frac{V_2}{V_1} \right) \\ &< 1 \end{aligned}$$

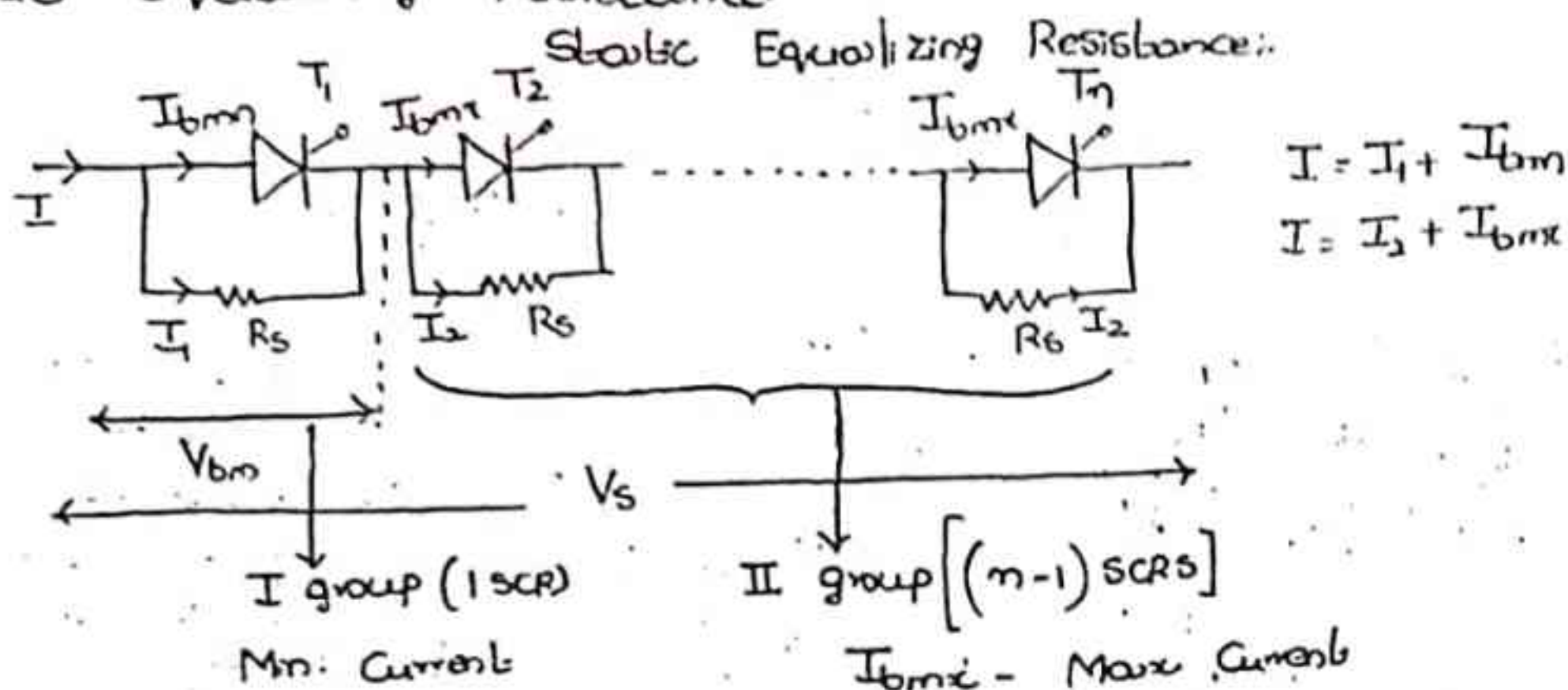


The unequal static characteristics results into unequal Voltage distribution among Series Connected SCRS

* The unequal voltage distribution is because of unequal leakage Resistances offered by SCRS. If the Resistance is more, it will block more Voltage. Hence the less leakage current

- * To Approximately equalize the Voltage distribution, it is proposed to connect only one value of Resistance across each & every SCR and it is known as Static equalizing Resistance.

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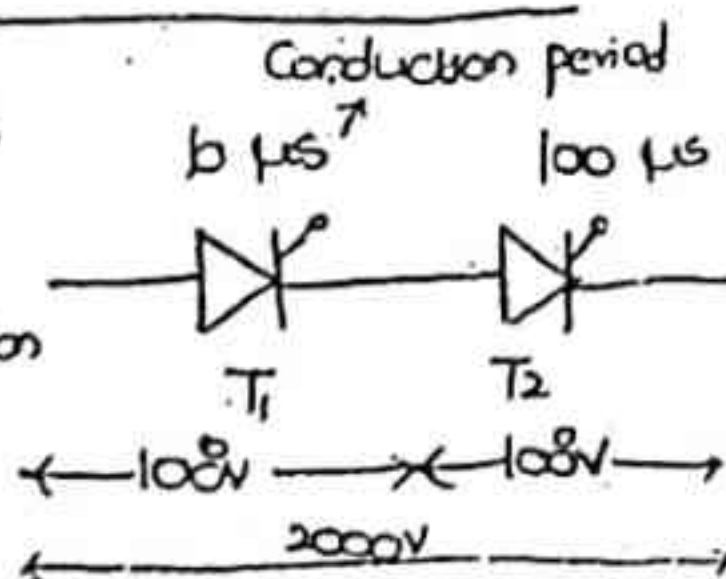
$$\begin{aligned}
 V_s &= I_1 R_s + (n-1) I_2 R_s \\
 &= I_1 R_s + (n-1) \{ I - I_{bmx} \} R_s \\
 &= I_1 R_s + (n-1) \{ I_1 + I_{bmn} - I_{bmx} \} R_s \\
 &= I_1 R_s + (n-1) \{ I_1 - (I_{bmx} - I_{bmn}) \} R_s \\
 &= I_1 R_s + (n-1) \{ I_1 - \Delta I_b \} R_s \\
 &= I_1 R_s + (n-1) I_1 R_s - (n-1) \Delta I_b R_s \\
 &= n I_1 R_s - (n-1) \Delta I_b R_s \\
 \Rightarrow V_s &= n V_{bm} - (n-1) \Delta I_b R_s
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow R_s = \frac{n V_{bm} - V_s}{(n-1) \Delta I_b}$$

ΔI_b = Diff. in leakage Current Ratings

- * Dynamic properties:
- * The unequal dynamic properties results into damage of the slower devices due to the application of excess Voltage

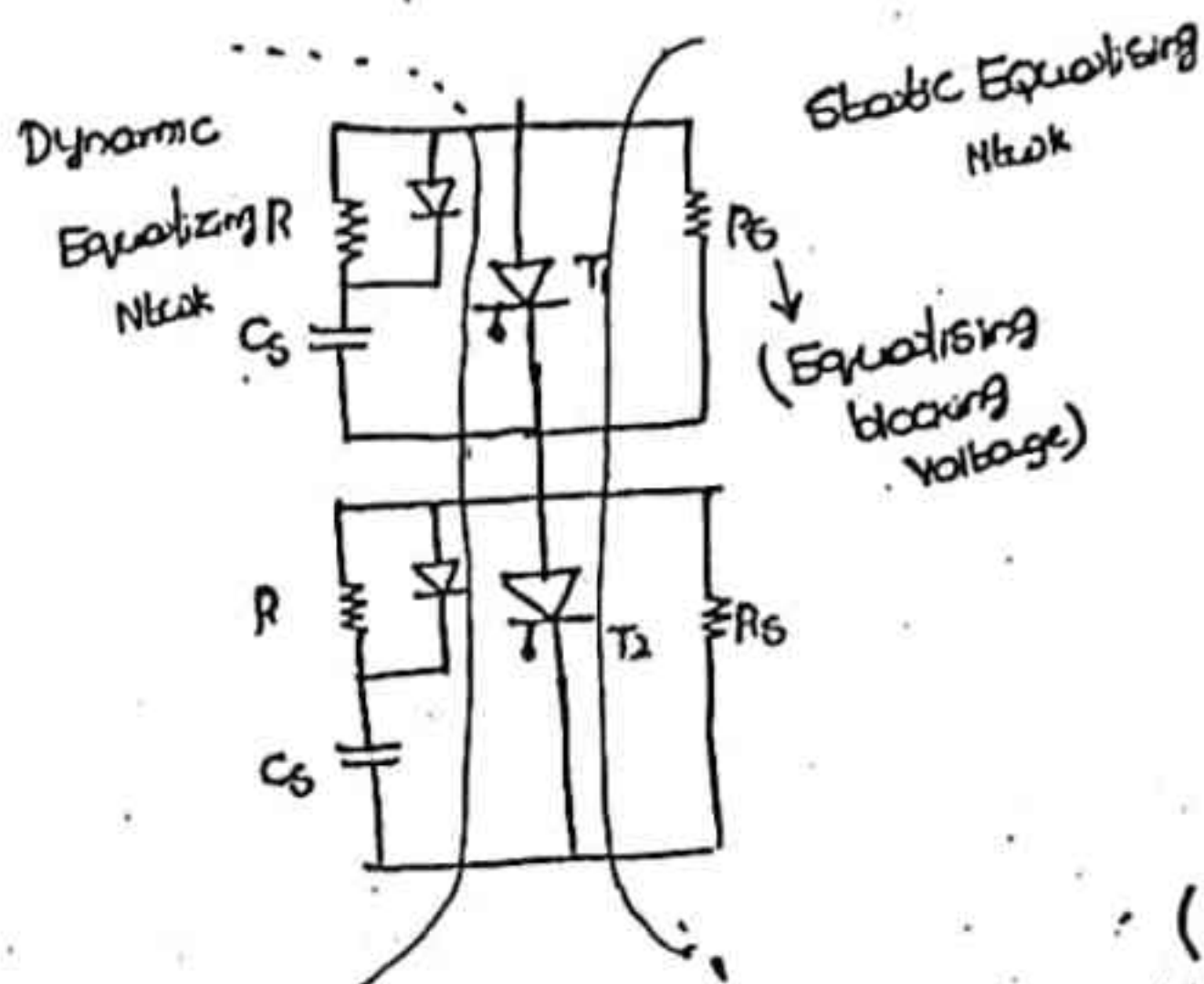
- * Unequal dynamic properties are due to unequal junction Capacitances



* In order to equalise the dynamic properties. It is proposed to connect one value of Capacitance across each & every SCR and it is known as Dynamic Equalising Capacitance.

$$C = \frac{(n-1) \Delta Q}{n V_{bm} - V_b}$$

ΔQ = Diff. in Reverse Recovery charge



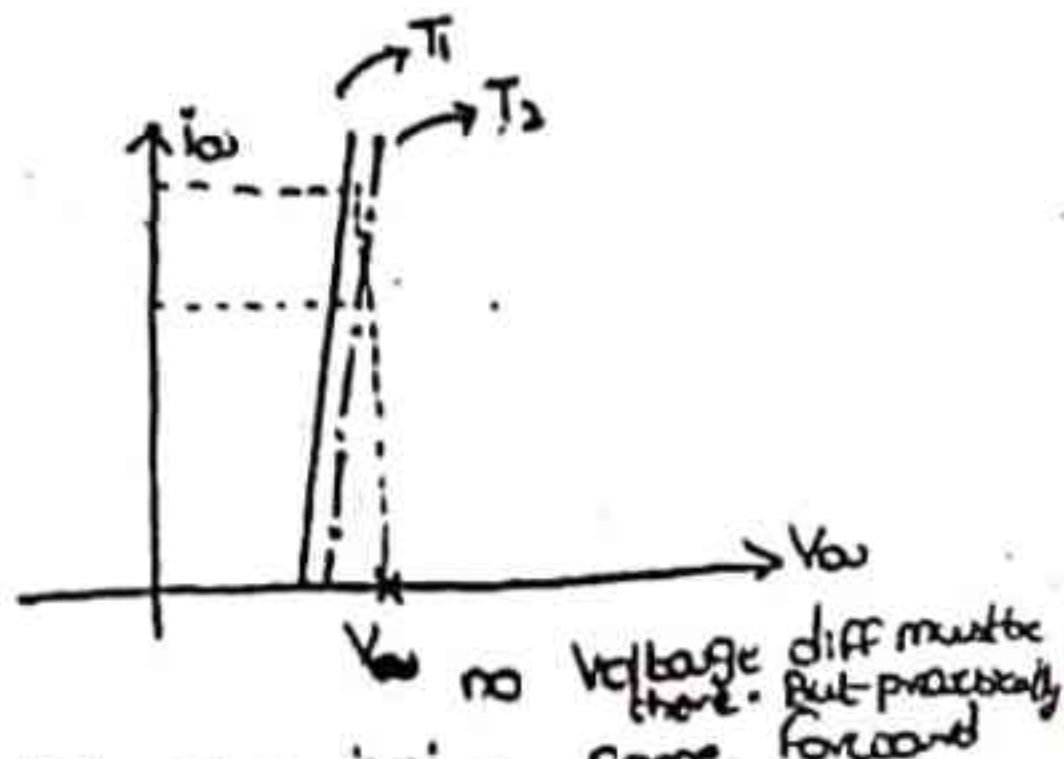
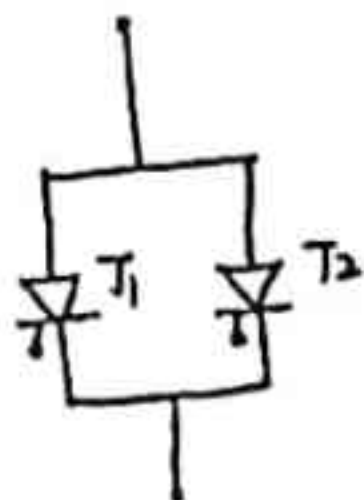
Capacitor should not be used alone, must be used along with a Resistor

* In the series operation, Snubber Circuit serves dual purpose

- i) dv/dt protection
- ii) Dynamic properties Equalization

* Diode placed Across Resistance will by poor the resistance while applying the forward Voltage. It ensures the fast development of Voltage across Capacitor

Parallel operation:

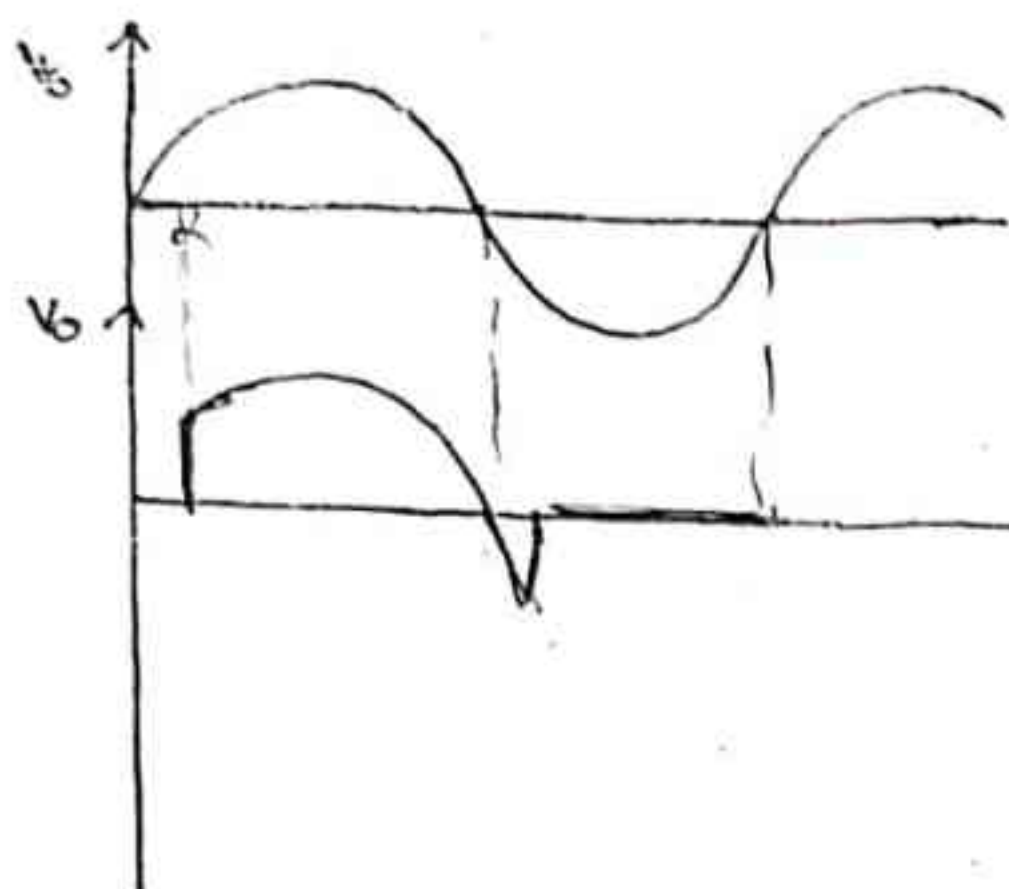
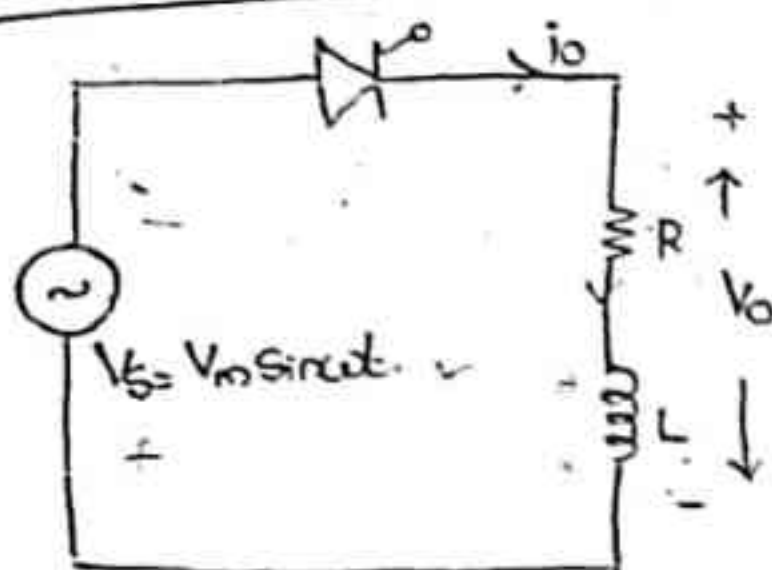


$$\eta_b = \frac{I_1 + I_2}{2 I_1} < 1$$

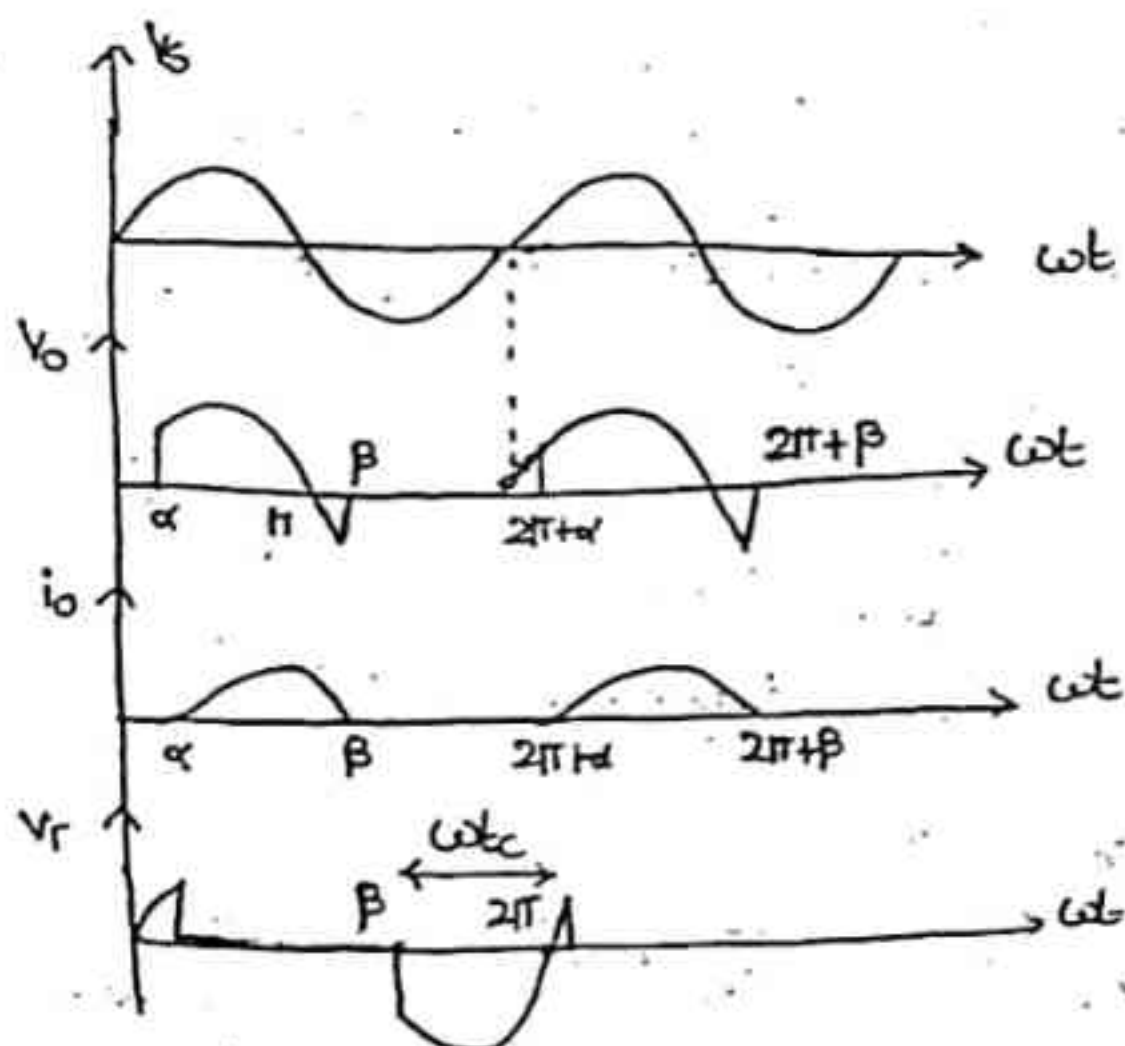
[Ideally T_1, T_2 on $\otimes$ on state exists on each SCR as both SCRs are connected in $||$ - So, Consider it as V_a]

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1- ϕ Half Wave RL Load:-



* In the case of RL Loads, $\beta > \pi$. Whereas in the case of R-Load, $\beta = \pi$.



* In this ckt, turn off time is $\omega t_c = 2\pi - \beta$

$$t_c = \frac{2\pi - \beta}{\omega} \text{ sec}$$

Avg. Value

$$V_o = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{\alpha}^{\beta} V_m \sin \omega t \, d(\omega t)$$

$$= \frac{V_m}{2\pi} (-\cos \omega t)_{\alpha}^{\beta}$$

$$V_o = \frac{V_m}{2\pi} (-\cos \beta + \cos \alpha)$$

$$V_{or} = \sqrt{\frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{\alpha}^{\beta} (V_m^2 \sin^2 \omega t) \, d(\omega t)}$$

$$V_{or}^2 = \frac{V_m^2}{2\pi} \int_{\alpha}^{\beta} \left(\frac{1 - \cos 2\omega t}{2} \right) d\omega t$$

$$= \frac{V_m^2}{4\pi} \left(\omega t - \frac{1}{2} \sin 2\omega t \right)_{\alpha}^{\beta}$$

$$= \frac{V_m^2}{4\pi} \left(\beta - \alpha + \frac{1}{2} (\sin 2\alpha - \sin 2\beta) \right)$$

$$Z = R + jX_L = R + j(2\pi f)L$$

$$V_{or} = \frac{V_m}{2\sqrt{\pi}} \left((\beta - \alpha) + \frac{1}{2} (\sin 2\alpha - \sin 2\beta) \right)$$

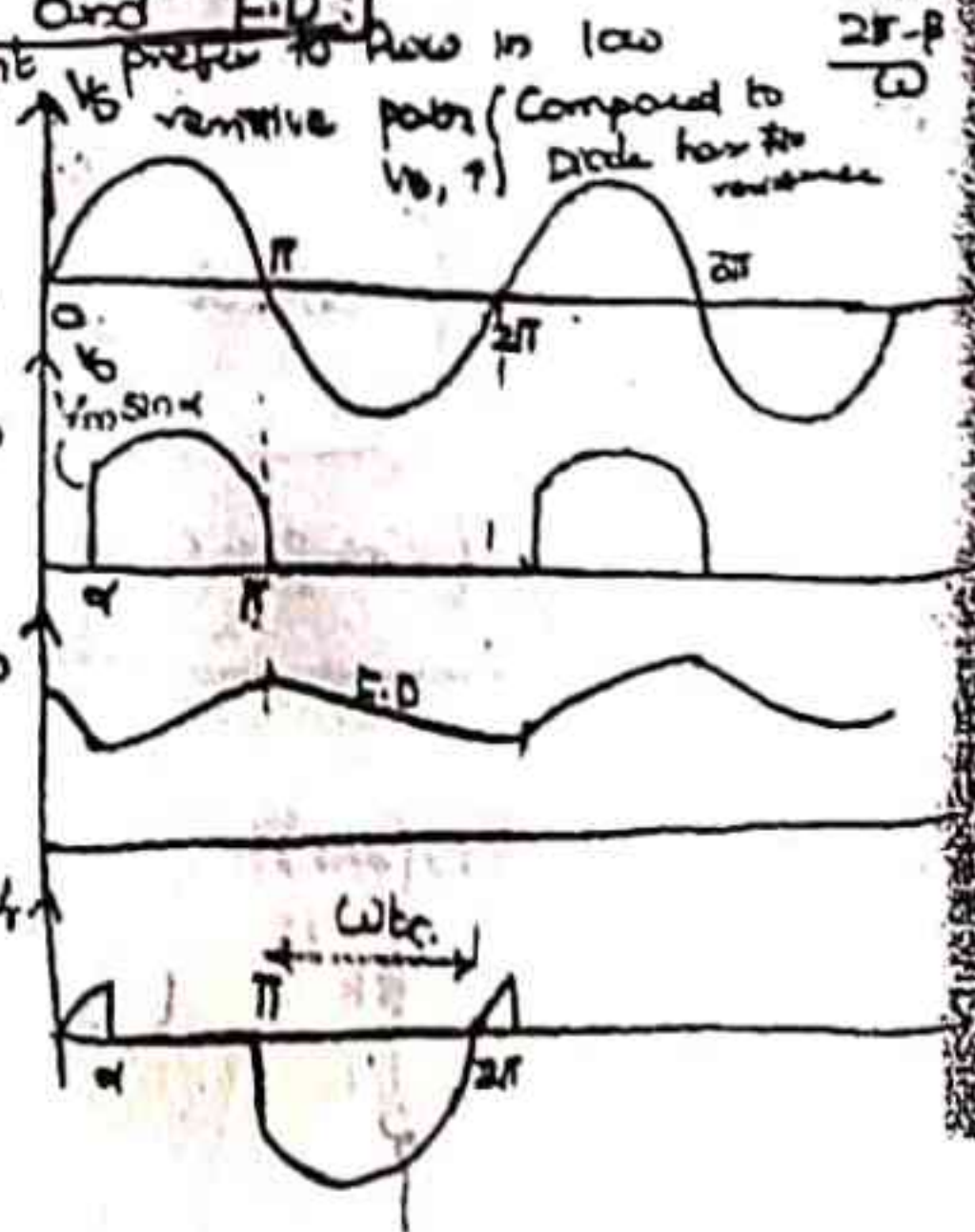
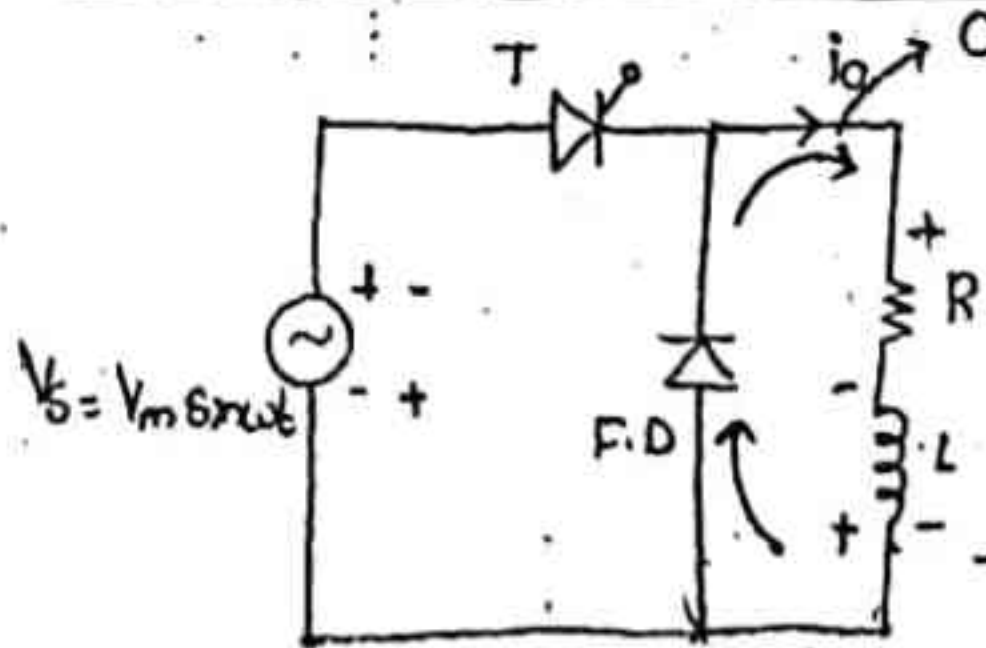
$$= \frac{V_{or}^2 / R}{V_s \cdot I_{sr}} = \frac{V_{or}^2 / R}{V_s \cdot V_s / R}$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{PF = \frac{V_{Or}}{V_S}}$$

* To Stop the power flow from Load to Source, a diode will be connected across the load terminals and it is known as Free-Wheeling diode

Variables

(Because $p > \pi$ always
So, p is
in low
compared to $\frac{2\pi - p}{\omega}$)



* By keeping PD alone does not make Continuous Conduction of current, by choosing inductor.

$$\omega t_c = \pi$$

$$\Rightarrow t_c = \frac{\pi}{\omega} \text{ sec}$$

Chk turn off time is wrt SCR

* ADVANTAGES OF F.D.:

- Avg. Power Consumption is Increased ✓
- Power Factor also Improves ✓
- Chk turn-off time is equal to $\frac{\pi}{\omega}$ and it is of Constant Value ✓
- Change of getting Continuous Conduction increases by keeping of F.D. It is possible if the Inductor is able to support conduction from π to $2\pi + \alpha$.

$$V_o = \frac{V_m}{2\pi} (1 + \cos \alpha) \quad (\text{Same as R-Load})$$

$$V_{or} = \frac{V_m}{2\sqrt{\pi}} \left[\pi - \alpha + \frac{1}{2} \sin 2\alpha \right]^{1/2}$$

$$I_o = \frac{V_o}{R} \quad \checkmark$$

$$I_{or} = \frac{V_{or}}{R} \quad \checkmark$$

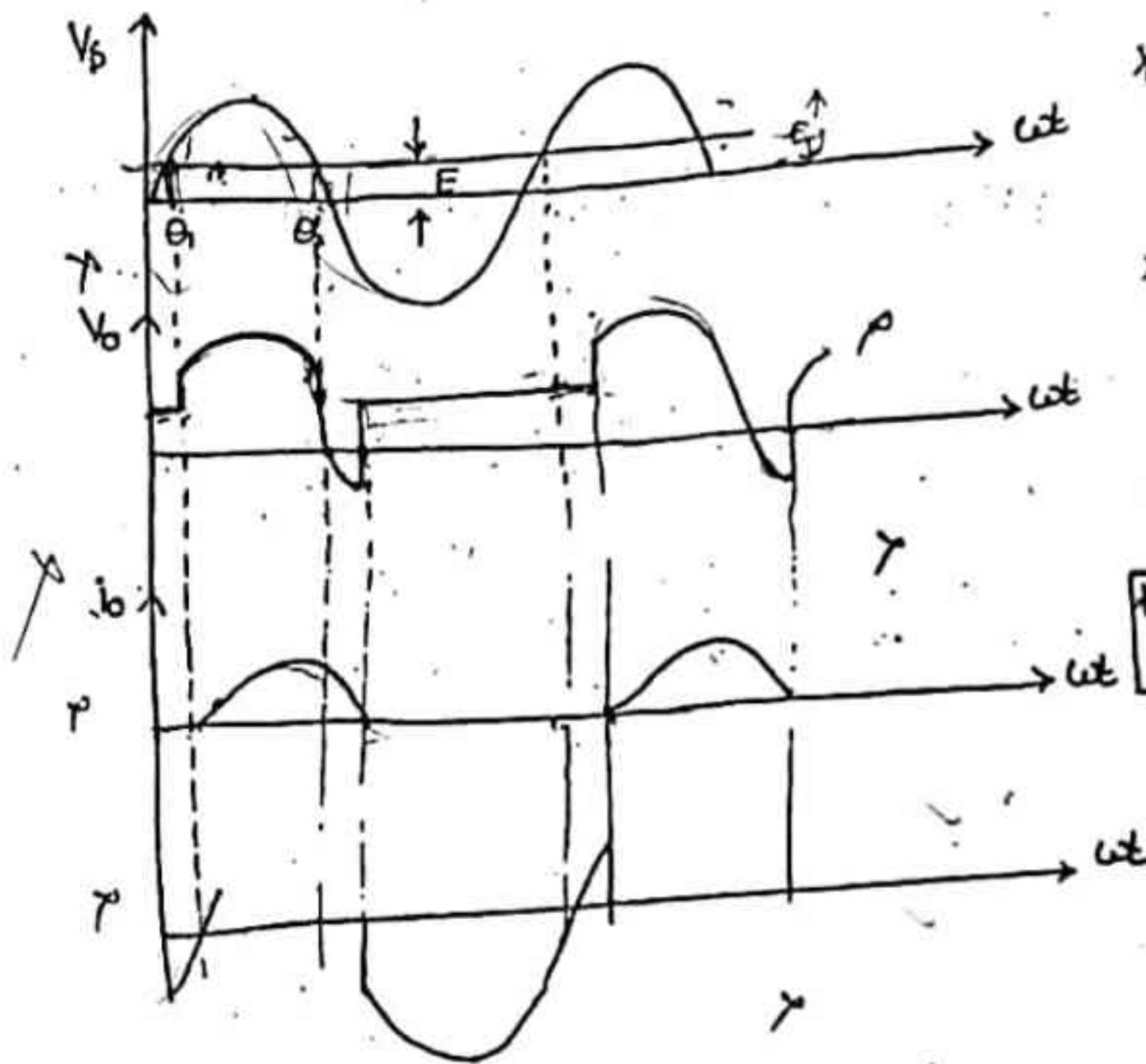
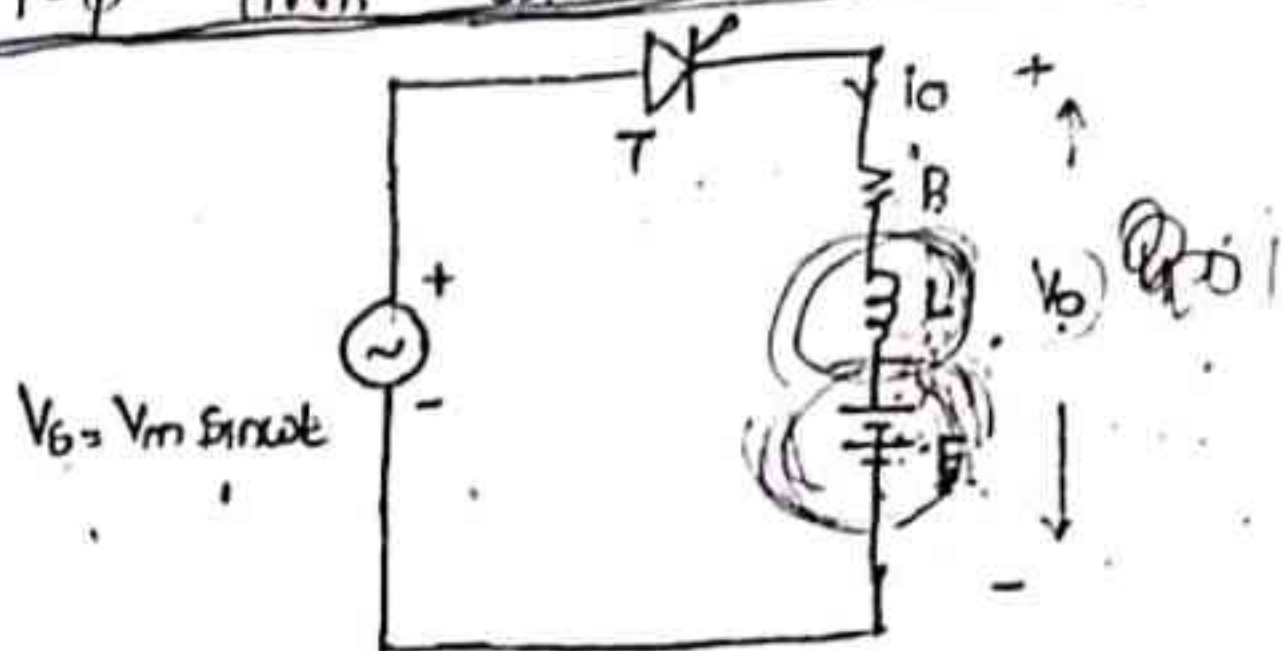
$$P_f = \frac{V_{or}}{V_o}$$

* The Continuous Current is obtained based upon the capacity of Inductor but on the F.D. Even if the capacity is less, though we have FD 'i' = 0

* O/p Voltage is zero bcz FD short circuits load
power will be zero because Load does not consume power.
(During FD Action)

* F.D circulates the Current w/o taking any power from supply lines. So, it is known as F.D

1- ϕ HWR with RLE load:



- * Unless $V_o > E$, Thyristor is not F.B.
- * Up to α , $V_o < E$, it is reverse biased
- * Up to α_2 , only it is F.B.

* Range of firing angle is $\alpha - \alpha_2$

