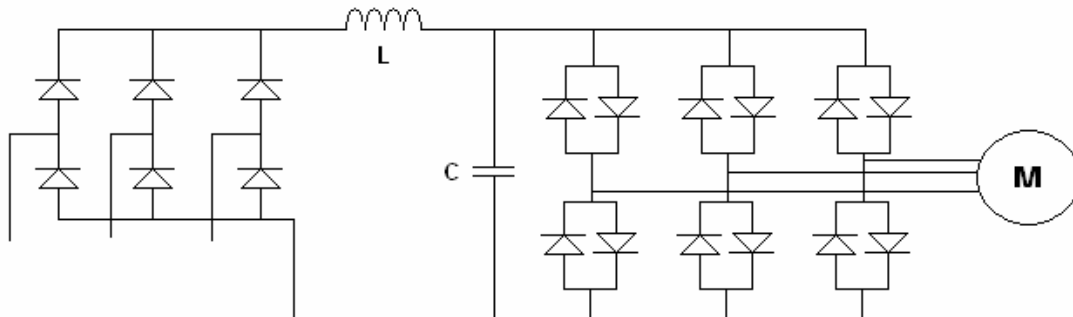


## Capacitor design for an LC Filter for AC-motor drive



Peak Voltage:  $V_{pk} = V_{rms} * \sqrt{2}$

Minimum voltage:  $V_{min} = V_{max} - V_{ripple}$

Power rating =  $[(1/2) * C * V_{max}^2 - (1/2) * C * V_{min}^2] * f$

Capacitor Charge time:  $T_c = \arccos(V_{min}/V_{max}) / (2 * \pi * f_{in})$

$f_{in}$  = mains power source frequency (60HZ typically)

Capacitor Discharge Time:  $T_d = 1 / (f_{rect} - T_c)$

$f_{rect}$  = Frequency of rectified input

Capacitor Peak charging current:  $I_c = C * dv/dt_c$

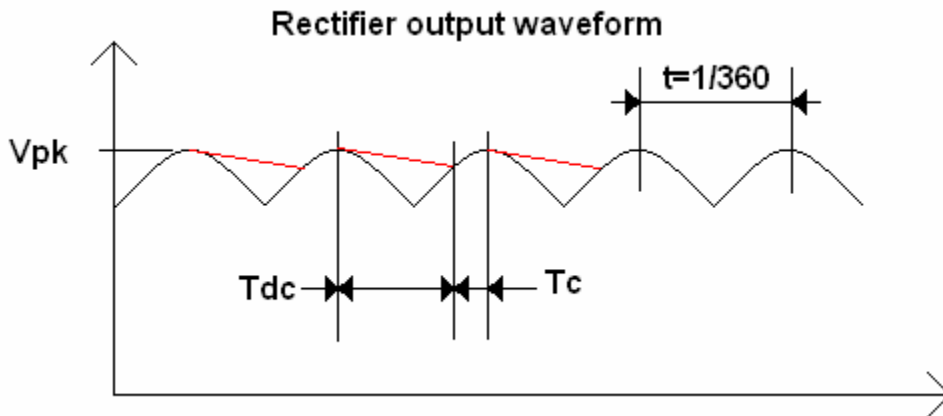
RMS Capacitor charging current:  $I_{dc/rms} = i_{PK}^2 * T_c * f$

Capacitor Peak discharging current:  $I_d = C * dv/dt_d$

RMS Capacitor discharging current:  $I_{dc/rms} = i_{PK}^2 * T_d * f$

Total rms current:  $I_{rms} = \sqrt{(I_c^2 + I_d^2)}$

Load current:  $I_L = P / ((V_{max} - V_{min}) / 2)$



Total Capacitor power loss:

$$P_t = P_s + P_r$$

$$P_s = I_{rms}^2 + I_L^2$$

Temperature rise in capacitor

Allowing a maximum temperature rise of 15C above the ambient temperature yields

$$\text{Temp Rise} = P_s / (B \cdot A)$$

Where  $B = .001 \text{ W}/^\circ\text{C} \cdot \text{cm}^2$

A = surface area of capacitor in cm.