

## QUESTION BANK

### UNIT IV - CONVENTIONAL & SOLID STATE SPEED CONTROL OF D.C. DRIVES

#### PART – A

**1) What are the factors on which the speed of a dc motor depends?**

- Flux in the air gap
- Resistance in the armature circuit
- Voltage applied to the armature circuit

**2) What are the advantages of field control?**

- The regulating resistance, which has to carry only a small current
- Power wasted in regulating resistance is very small

**3) What are the methods on which speed of a dc motor be controlled?**

- Flux control
- Armature resistance
- Armature voltage

**4) What will be the effect of change in supply voltage on the speed of dc shunt motor?**

- The reduction of supply voltage to the armature of dc shunt motor causes reduction of back-emf of the motor which in turn reduces the speed as the speed is directly proportional to the back emf

**5) List the different methods of speed control to 3 phase squirrel cage induction motor?**

- Speed control by changing supply frequency
- Speed control by changing no. of poles
- Speed control by changing slip

**6) What is meant by speed control?**

- The initial change of drive speed to a value required for performing the specific work process is called as a speed control.

**7) What are the advantages of field control method?**

- Conventional and easy method
- Since, the shunt field current  $I_{sh}$  is small the power wasted in the field rheostat also small
- Independent of load on the motor
- Economical and efficient method

**8) What are the disadvantages of field control method?**

There is a maximum limit of speed that can be obtained with this method. It is due to fact that flux per pole is too much weakened commutation becomes poorer.

**9) What is the application of ward- Leonard system speed control?**

This method normally adopted in very sensitive speed control like electric excavators, elevators, coillery winders, main drives in steel mills and paper mills.

**10) What are the advantages of Ward-Leonard speed control?**

Wide range of speed control is possible

Full forward and reverse speed can be achieved

Power is automatically regenerated to the ac line through the motor generator set which speed is reduced.

Short time over load capacity is large

The armature current of the motor is smooth

**11 Define slip**

The difference between the synchronous speed and the actual speed of the motor is called slip.

**12) What is Slip-Power recovery system?**

The slip power can be recovered to the supply source can be used to supply an additional motor which is mechanically coupled to the main motor. This type of drive is known as slip-power recovery system

**13) In which type of control the field current and armature current control?**

i). For armature control method (or) voltage control method the field current is kept constant

ii). For field control (or) flux control the armature current kept constant

**14) What are the advantages of slip-power recovery system?**

i). The slip power from the slip-rings can be recorded and fed back to the supply.

ii). The overall efficiency also improved

**15) What is meant by frequency control?**

The speed of the induction motor can be controlled by varying the supply frequency, because the speed is directly proportional to frequency.

**16) What is meant by flux control (or) field control method?**

By varying the field flux the speed can be controlled is called flux control. This method can be used for increasing the speed of the motor is inversely proportional to the field flux

**17) Write the advantage of flux control method**

Convenient and easy method  
In this method is independent of load on the motor  
Economical and efficient method

**18) What is meant by armature control?**

The armature having controller resistance in series during the speed control. By varying the controller resistance  $R$ , the potential drop across the armature is varied. Hence the speed of the motor also varied. This method of speed control is applicable for speed less than no load speed.

**19).What is meant by voltage control in induction motor? and where it is applicable?**

In Induction motor speed can be controlled by varying the stator voltage. This can be done by using transformer. This method is called voltage control.

This is suitable only for controlling the speed below rated value.

**20).What is static Ward – Leonard drive?**

Controlled rectifiers are used to get variable dc voltage from an ac source of fixed voltage. Controlled rectifiers fed dc drives are known as “static Ward – Leonard drive”.

**21) What is meant by V/F control?**

When the frequency is reduced the input voltage must be reduced proportionally so as to maintain constant flux. Otherwise the core will get saturated resulting in excessive iron loss and magnetizing current. This type of induction motor behaviour is similar to the working of dc series motors.

**PART-B BIG QUESTION**

- 1) What is meant by armature control method?
- 2) List out the methods of speed control in Dc motors?
- 3) Explain the working of following methods with neat circuit diagram
  - i).Kramer system
  - ii).Scherbius system
- 4) Explain in details rotor resistance method of speed control of a slip ring induction motor.
- 5) Explain any one of the slip power recovery method of speed control

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UNIT IVPart - B

- ① Explain any three methods of speed control of DC shunt motor.

Speed control of dc shunt motor.

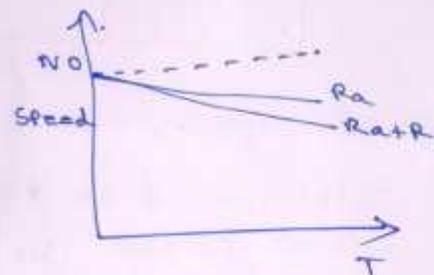
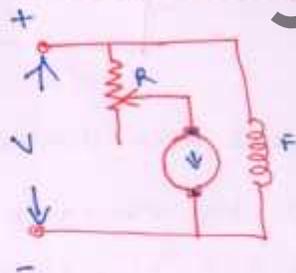
$$N = \frac{V - I_a R_a}{2\phi} \left( \frac{A}{P} \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{V - I_a R_a}{k_b \phi}$$

$$N \propto \frac{E_b}{\phi}$$

From above three methods of control are possible.

- i) Varying Resistance in Armature circuit



$$N = \frac{V - I_a (R_a + R)}{k_b \phi}$$

- by increasing the resistance, applied voltage across the armature decreases.  $\therefore$  motor speed decreases.

- This method of speed control only applicable for speed less than no load speed.

### Advantages

Simple method.

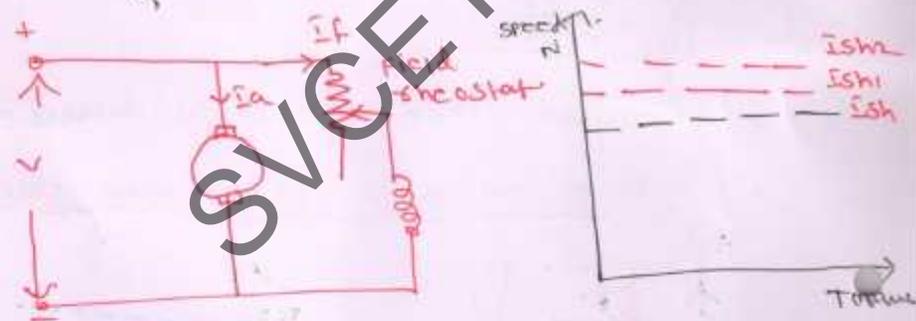
### Disadvantages

- more power wasted in external resistance

### By varying flux.

The speed is inversely proportional to flux.

$$N \propto \frac{1}{\phi}$$

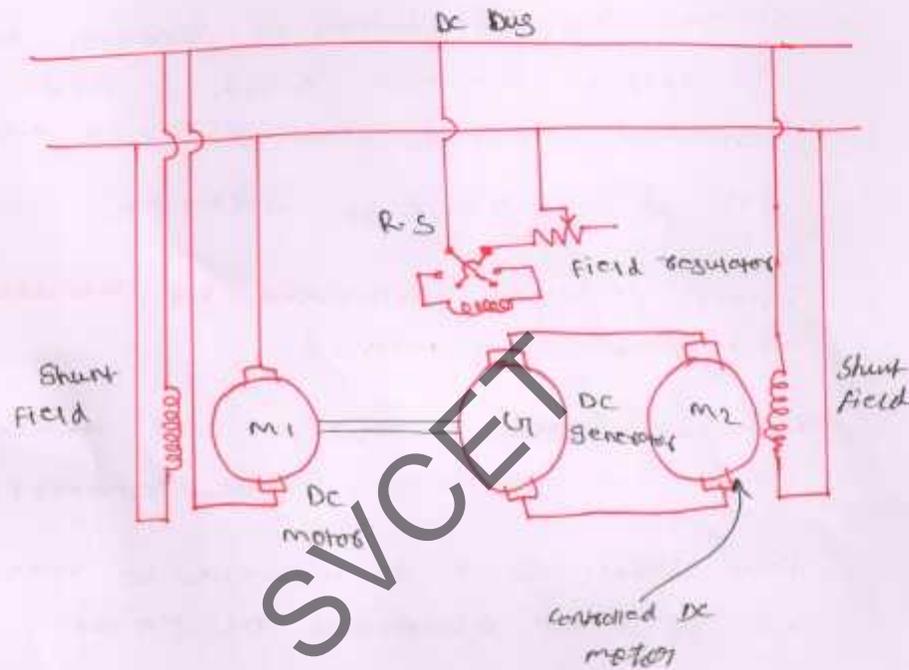


By varying flux, the speed also varies.

- The flux can be changed by changing the field current ( $I_{sh}$ ) with the help of field rheostat.

→ by vary the field resistance, the field current is decreased and flux decreased and speed is increased. & speed control is applicable only above the base speed.

- ④ Explain the Ward-Leonard speed control system with neat sketch also mention its advantages and disadvantages.



- It consists of three dc machines, two dc motor and one dc generator.
- $M_1$  is main motor is directly coupled to dc generator  $G_1$ .
- DC supply is given to armature as well as 'Shunt field winding' and runs at constant speed.
- The voltage of generator can be varied from zero to maximum value by means of field regulation.

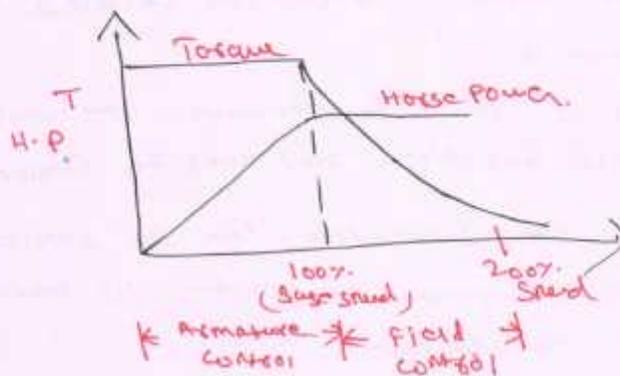
- The generated dc voltage is fed to controlled dc motor M2
- The controlled dc motor M2 rotation can be changed by field circuit of generator with the help of Reverse switch S and generated voltage is reversed and motor rotates in reverse direction.

In this method combined by armature and flux control method.

- Armature voltage control  $\rightarrow$  it is achieved by varying the field of dc generator.

Flux control  $\rightarrow$  it is achieved by varying the field of controlled dc motor.

- The Ward Leonard system provide a constant torque as well as constant horse power drive



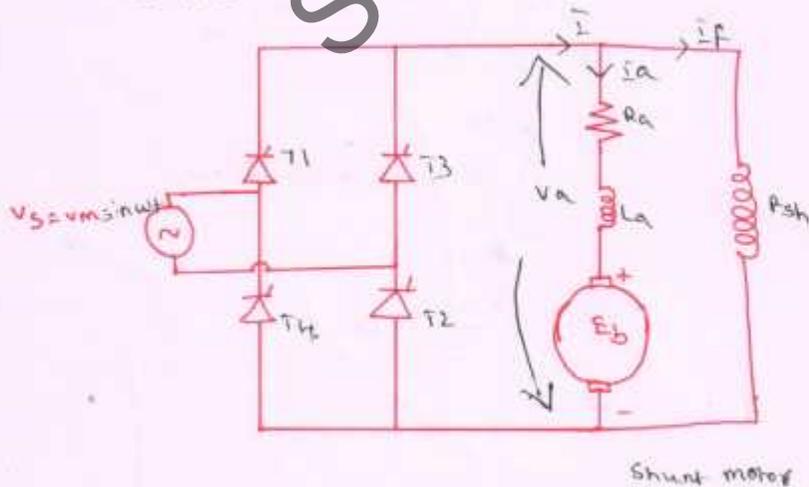
### Advantages

- (i) Full forward and reverse speed can be achieved
- (ii) wide range of speed control
- (iii) Armature current of motor is smooth.

### Disadvantage

- High cost
- over all efficiency is low
- drive produced noise.
- require frequent maintenance.

3 Explain with neat sketch about DC shunt motor speed control by using  $\phi$  Full controlled bridge converter.



Assume armature current  $i_a$  is constant, here the load is DC shunt motor.

Full converter consist of 4 SCRS and load.

During +ve half cycle ( $0$  to  $\pi$ ) SCR  $T_1$  &  $T_2$  are forward biased.

At  $\omega t = \alpha$ , SCR  $T_1$  &  $T_2$  are triggered and come to on state. These two SCRS conducts up to  $\pi + \alpha$ .

During the period ( $\alpha$  to  $\pi + \alpha$ ) SCR  $T_1$  &  $T_2$  are on state.

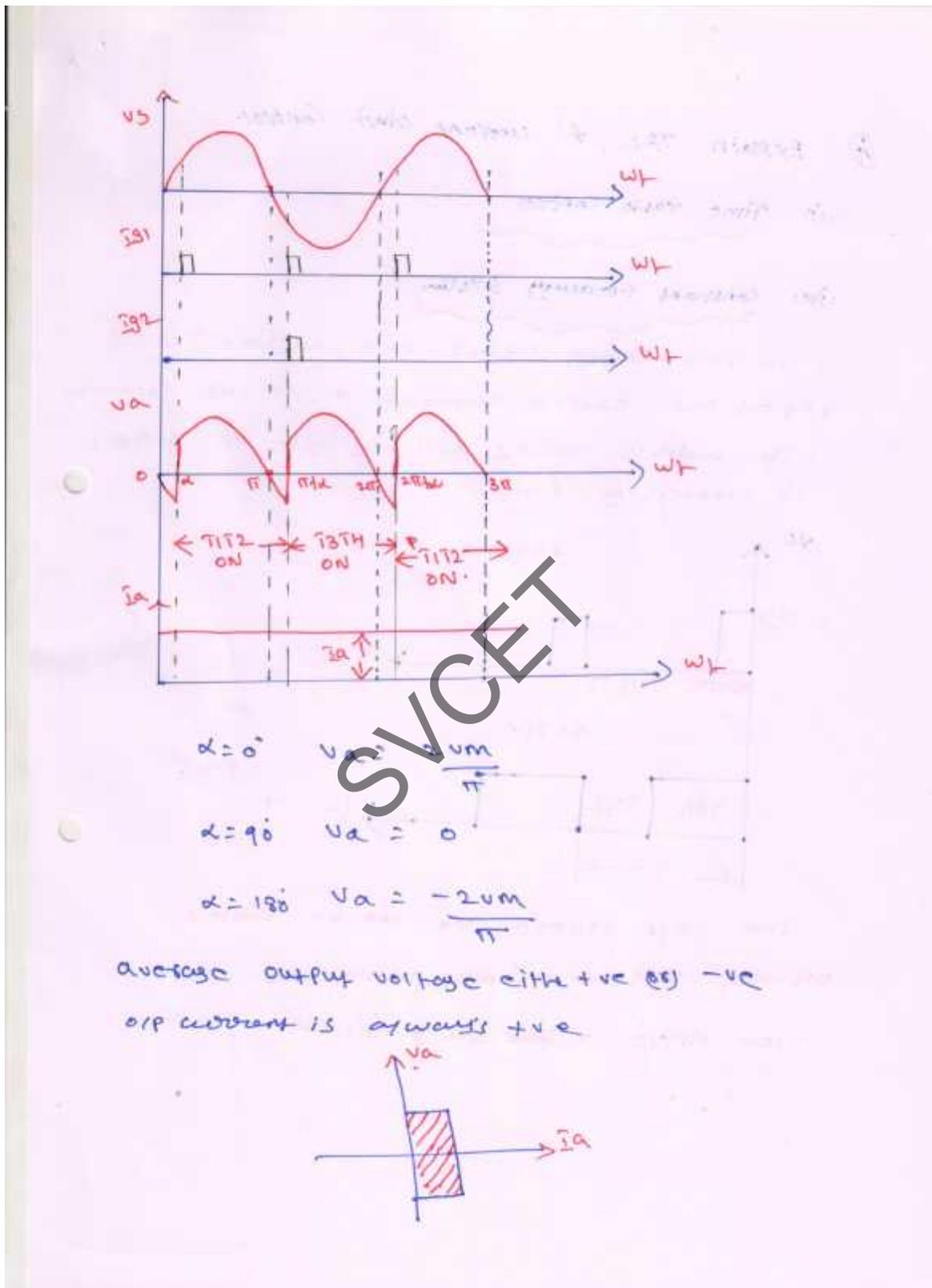
At  $\omega t = \pi + \alpha$  SCR  $T_3$  &  $T_4$  are triggered and  $T_1$  &  $T_2$  comes to off state. & SCR  $T_3$  &  $T_4$  conducts up to  $2\pi + \alpha$ .

Average output voltage  $V_a = V_0$

$$V_a = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{\alpha}^{\pi + \alpha} V_m \sin \omega t \, d\omega t$$

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$$V_a = \frac{2V_m}{\pi} \cos \alpha$$



(4) Explain TRC & current limit control.

(i) Time ratio Control

(ii) constant frequency system

In this control method the on time  $T_{on}$  is varied but chopping frequency  $F$  is kept constant. The width is varied and this type of control is known as PWM.



The o/p voltage,  $v_o$  can be varied between zero to source voltage,  $v_s$ .

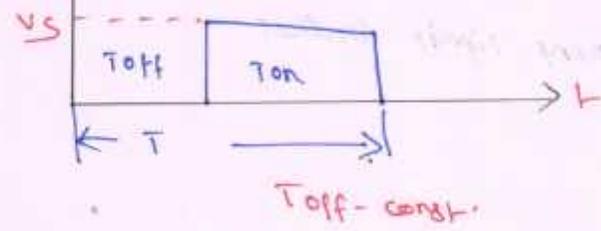
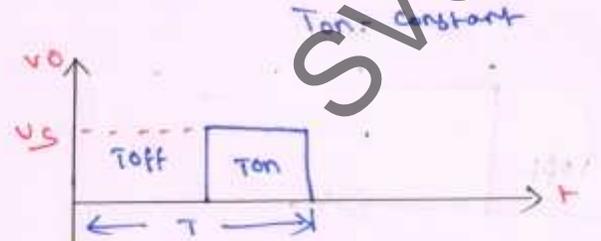
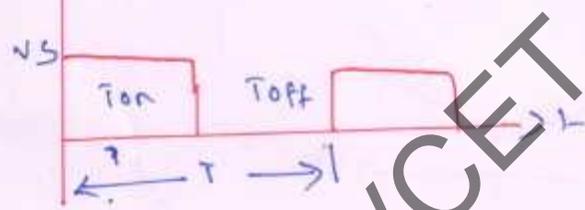
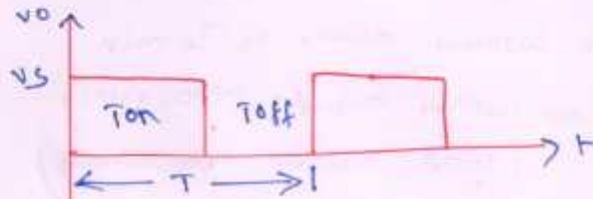
- low ripple & small size of filter



Variable Frequency

In this control the chopping frequency  $f$  is varied and either:

- (i) on time  $T_{on}$  is kept const.
- (ii) off time  $T_{off}$  is kept const.



This method of controlling duty cycle  $\alpha$  is called frequency modulation. In I diagram  $T_{on}$  is kept constant but  $T$  is varied.

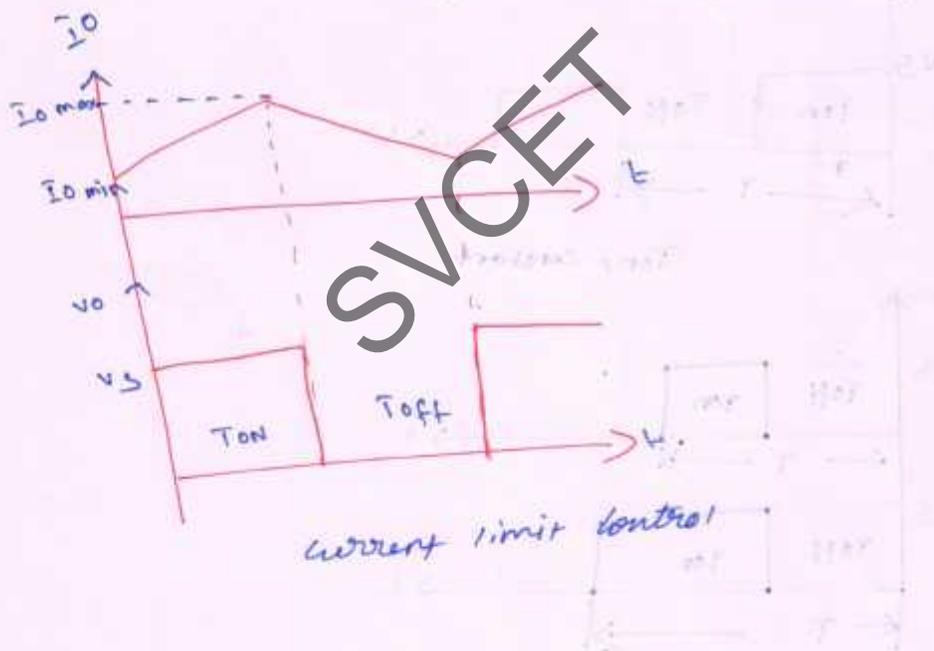
In diagram-II  $T_{off}$  is kept const but  $T$  is varied.

### Current Limit Control

The chopper is switched ON and OFF so that the current in the load is maintained between two limits ( $I_{o\ min}$  to  $I_{o\ max}$ )

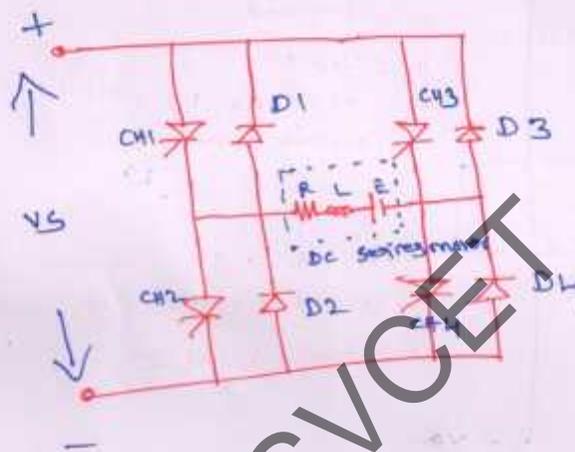
- CHOPPER ON  $\Rightarrow$  o/p current comes to  $I_{o\ min}$ .

CHOPPER OFF  $\Rightarrow$  o/p current exceeds upper limit.  
(load current free wheels)



② Explain the operation of Chopper Fed D.C. Series motor.

It consists of four Power Semi conductor Switches CH1 to CH4 and four Diode D1 to D4 in anti-parallel.



Forward motoring

CH1 - operated, CH1, CH4 is on at this time

$V_a = V_s$  and load current  $I_a$  begins to flow

both  $V_a$  &  $I_a$  +ve

CH1  $\rightarrow$  OFF +ve current free wheels through

D2 & CH2 in this way

Forward braking

CH2 - operated, CH2, D4 is on energy

stored in inductance [reverse current flow

through L]

CH2 is turned OFF, current is Fed back to source through diodes D1 & D4.

$$V_a = +ve$$

$$I_a = -ve$$



Reverse motoring

CH2 & CH3 IS ON - Polarity of load emf E must be reversed. So both  $I_a$  &  $V_a = -ve$ , CH3-off negative current free wheels through CH2, D4 in the

Reverse braking

CH4 IS +ve current flow through CH4, D2, L & E during this period - store energy. CH4 IS OFF current is fed back to source through diode D2, D3.

$$V_a = -ve$$

$$I_a = +ve$$

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