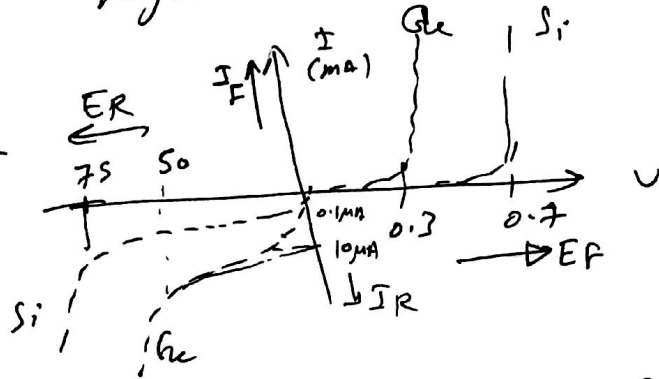


Semiconductor diodes

→ Diode is unipolar (one way device), with 2 terminals (anode, cathode)

→ It has very low Resistance (at Forward Bias) & → S.C
 " high " " (" Reverse "). → O.C

* diode ch/s



- I_R → minority charge carrier (reverse saturation current)
 It is unaffected by increase of Reverse Bias voltage.

- $I_R < 1 \mu A$ for Si & $\approx 10 \mu A$ for Ge

- I_R may be neglected compared to I_F
 open switch / insulator in Reverse Bias

- of E_R (reverse voltage ↑) up to 75V (at Si) ∴ diode become in reverse breakdown // diode destroyed unless there is a limiting Resistance for circuit connected in series with diode

- ch/s of Ge → ch/s of Si

	Si	Ge
Forward Vt. V_F	0.7	0.3
I_R	$< 1 \mu A$	10 μA
W.B.V	75V	50V

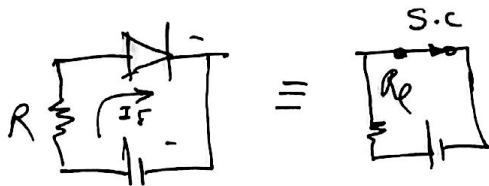
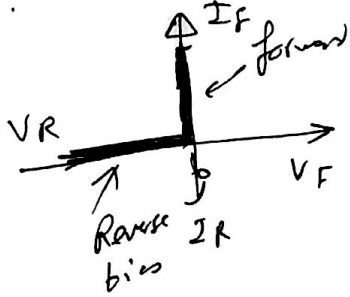
diode approximations (equivalent)

ideal

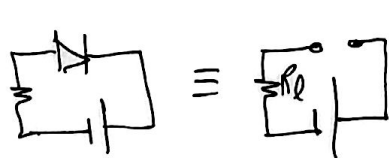
practical

complete diode Model

1) ideal



Switch on $V_D = 0$



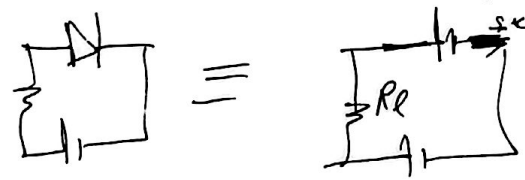
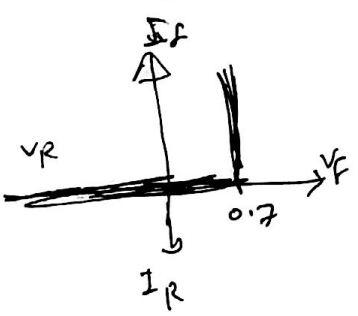
o.c

Switch off $I_D = 0$

$$I_F = \frac{V_{Bias}}{R_{limit}}, \quad I_R = 0$$

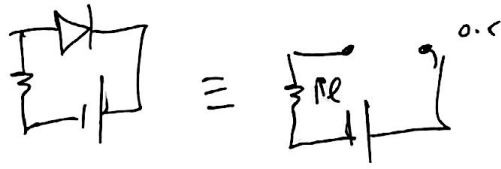
$$V_R = V_{bias}$$

2) Practical



0.7 (0.3) V

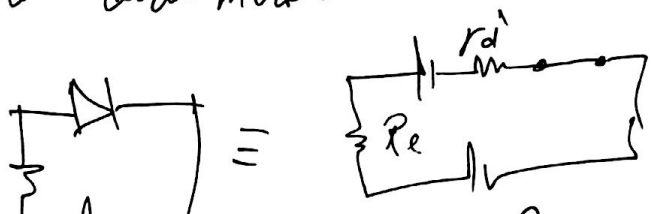
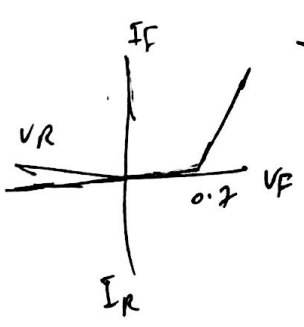
0.7V drop
Ideal diode + ideal
~~diode~~



o.c

$$I_F = \frac{V_{bias} - 0.7}{R_{limit}}, \quad I_R = 0, \quad V_R = V_{bias}$$

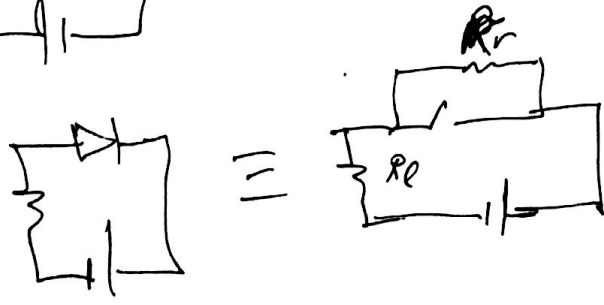
3) complete diode model



$$= \frac{V_{bias} - 0.7}{R_{limit} + r_{d'}}$$

$$V_F = 0.7 + I_F R_r$$

$$I_F = \frac{V_{bias} - 0.7}{R_{limit} + r_{d'}}$$

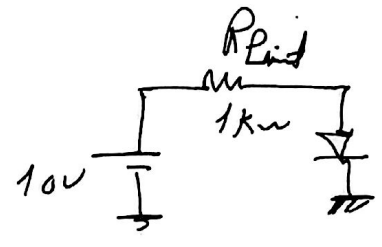


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Ex Determine Forward voltage & forward current for diode in figure (a) for all diode models, Also voltage across limiting Resistor in each case assume $r_d = 10 \Omega$

sol/
1 ideal

$V_F = 0$
 $I_F = \frac{10}{1K} = 10mA$
 $V_{limit} = I R = 10mA \times 1K = 10V$



2 Practical

$V_F = 0.7V$
 $I_F = \frac{V_{bias} - 0.7}{1K} = \frac{9.3}{1K} = 9.3mA$

$V_{limit} = I R_L$
 $= (9.3mA)(1K)$
 $= 9.3V$

3 Complete model

$V_F = 0.7 + I_F r_d$
 $I_F = \frac{10 - 0.7}{1K + 10} = \frac{9.3}{1010} = 9.21mA$
 $\therefore V_F = 0.7 + (9.21) \times 10^{-3} \times 10 = 792mV$
 $V_{Rlimit} = I_F R_L = (9.21mA)(1K) = 9.21V$

EX(2) For reverse diode connection of ex(1) determine Reverse voltage, Reverse current, $V_{across R}$ of $I_R = 1\mu A$

ideal

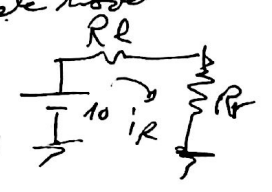
$I_R = 0A$
 $V_R = V_{bias} = 10V$
 $V_{Rlimit} = I R = 0V$

Practical

$I_R = 0V$
 $V_{Rlimit} = I R = 0$
 $V_R = V_{bias} = 10V$

complete model

$I_R = 1\mu A$
 $V_{RL} = (1\mu A)(1K) = 1mV$
 $V_{Rr} = 10 - V_{RL} = 9.999V$



note, $1.6 \times 10^{-19} \text{ J/V} = e$

4

25/11

diode current (A) $\leftarrow I_d = I_0 \left(e^{\frac{qV_d}{nKT}} - 1 \right)$

reverse saturation current $\leftarrow I_0$

I & V is diode diode voltage

$n \rightarrow$ const (bet 1, 2) Potential factor
 $K \rightarrow$ Boltzmann's const $1.38 \times 10^{-23} \text{ J/K}$
 $T \rightarrow$ temp (absolute) $= C^\circ + 273$

Simplifications

\rightarrow note $N_T = \frac{kT}{q}$ thermal voltage $\therefore I_d = I_0 \left(e^{\frac{V_d}{nV_T}} - 1 \right)$

\rightarrow at Forward Bias $I_d \approx I_0 e^{\frac{V_d}{nV_T}}$

\rightarrow at Room temp (25°C) & $n=1 \rightarrow nV_T = 26 \text{ mV}$
 $n=2 \rightarrow nV_T = 52 \text{ mV}$

$\rightarrow r_d = \frac{1}{dI_d/dV_d} = \frac{1}{\text{Conductance of device}}$

\rightarrow Conductance $\frac{dI_d}{dV_d} = \frac{1}{nV_T} I_0 e^{\frac{V_d}{nV_T}}$

$\therefore e^{\frac{V_d}{nV_T}} = \frac{I_d}{I_0} + 1 \rightarrow I$

$\therefore \frac{dI_d}{dV_d} = \frac{I_0}{nV_T} \left(\frac{I_d}{I_0} + 1 \right) = \frac{I_d + I_0}{nV_T}$

$r_d = \frac{1}{dI_d/dV_d} = \frac{nV_T}{I_d + I_0}$

& $\therefore I_0 \ll I_d \therefore$ neglected

$\therefore r_d = \frac{nV_T}{I_d}$

Example find the dynamic Resistance for diode at $I_d = 2 \text{ mA}$ & n (potential ideality factor) is 2 $\therefore r_d = \frac{2 \times 26 \text{ mV}}{2 \text{ mA}} = 26 \Omega$

~~for Q10~~
~~one solution~~

5

Temperature effect

* As $T \uparrow$, V_g ~~temperature~~ \downarrow , & V_g varies linearly with temp.

diode voltage at new temp

new temp ($^{\circ}C$)

$V_g(T_2) - V_g(T_1) = K_T (T_2 - T_1)$

$-2.5mV/^{\circ}C$ for Ge
 $-2mV/^{\circ}C$ " Si

temp coeff

2mV/deg C for Si

I_0 depends on temp

$I_0(T_2) = I_0(T_1) e^{K_i (T_2 - T_1)}$

$e = 2$ $\therefore I_0(T_2) = I_0(T_1) * 2$

0.07/e

0.7 Si

0.3 Ge

(Ex 1) when Si conduct at temp of 25 $^{\circ}C$ & $V_g = 0.7V$
 what V_g across diode at 100 $^{\circ}C$

sol

$$V_g(T_1) - V_g(T_2) = K_T (T_1 - T_2)$$

$$V_g(100) - 0.7 = (-2 \times 10^{-3}) [100 - 25] \therefore V_g = 0.55V$$

(Ex 2) A Si diode is cooled to -100 $^{\circ}C$, what voltage required across diode to establish a noticeable current at new temp

sol

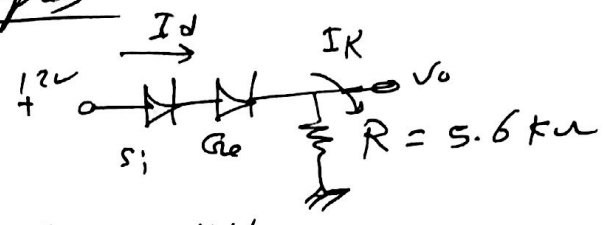
$$V_g(-100) - 0.7 = (-2 \times 10^{-3}) [-100 - 25]$$

$$V_g(-100) = 0.95V$$

Examples

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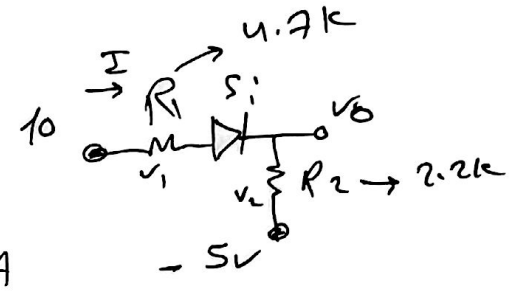
Find I_d, V_o



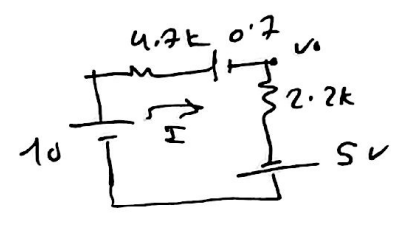
Sol
 $V_o = 12 - V_{Si} - V_{Ge} = 12 - 0.7 - 0.3 = 11V$
 $I_d = \frac{V_o}{R} = \frac{11}{5.6k} = 1.96mA$

②

Find I, V_1, V_2, V_o



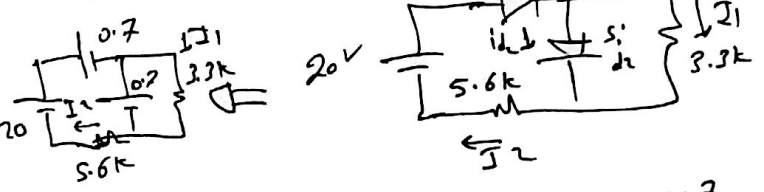
$I = \frac{10 - 0.7 + 5}{(4.7 + 2.2)k} = \frac{14.3}{6.9k} = 2.07mA$
 $V_1 = IR_1 = 2.07mA \times 4.7k = 8.78V$
 $V_2 = IR_2 = 2.07mA \times 2.2k = 4.55V$
 $V_o = ?$



$V_o - (-5) = V_2$
 $V_o = V_2 - 5 = 4.55 - 5 = -0.45V$

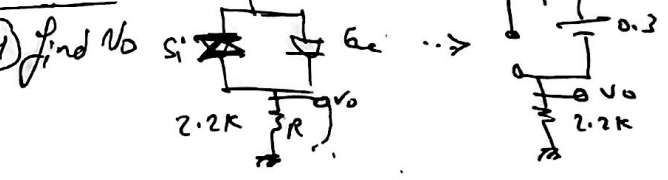
③

Find I_1, I_2, I_{d1}, I_{d2}



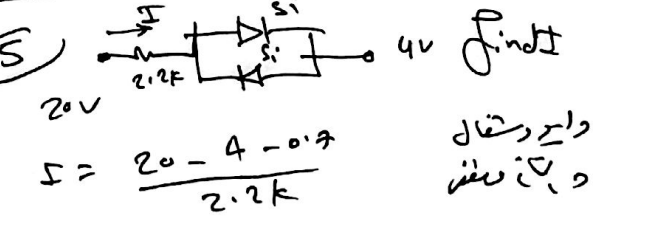
$V_{3.3k} = 0.7 = I_1 \times 3.3k \therefore I_1 = \frac{0.7}{3.3k} = 0.212mA$
 $I_2 = \frac{20 - 0.7 - 0.7}{5.6k} = 3.32mA$
 $I_2 = I_{d2} + I_1$
 $I_{d2} = I_2 - I_1 = 3.108mA$

④



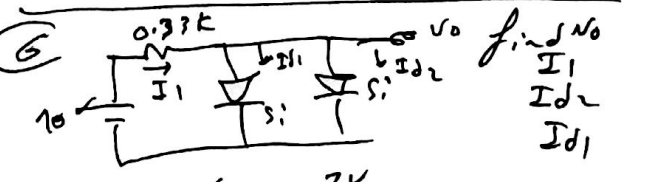
$V_o = 12 - V_{Si} = 12 - 0.3 = 11.7V$

⑤



$I = \frac{20 - 4 - 0.7}{2.2k}$

⑥



$V_o = V_{d1} = V_{d2} = 0.7V$
 $I_1 = \frac{10 - 0.7}{0.33k} = 28.18mA$
 $I_{d1} = I_{d2} = \frac{1}{2} I_1 = 14.09mA$