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CHAPTER 3

Diodes ← *First non-linear device*

MULTIPLE NEW CONCEPTS!!

3.1 Ideal Diodes ← *compare introductory ideal op-amp circuits.*

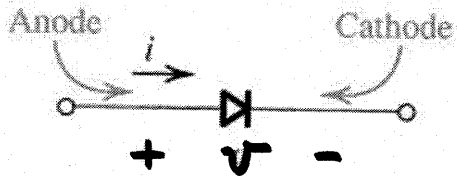
3.2 Characteristics

The "real" device, and - - - -

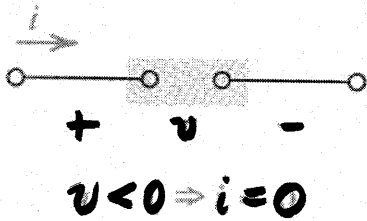
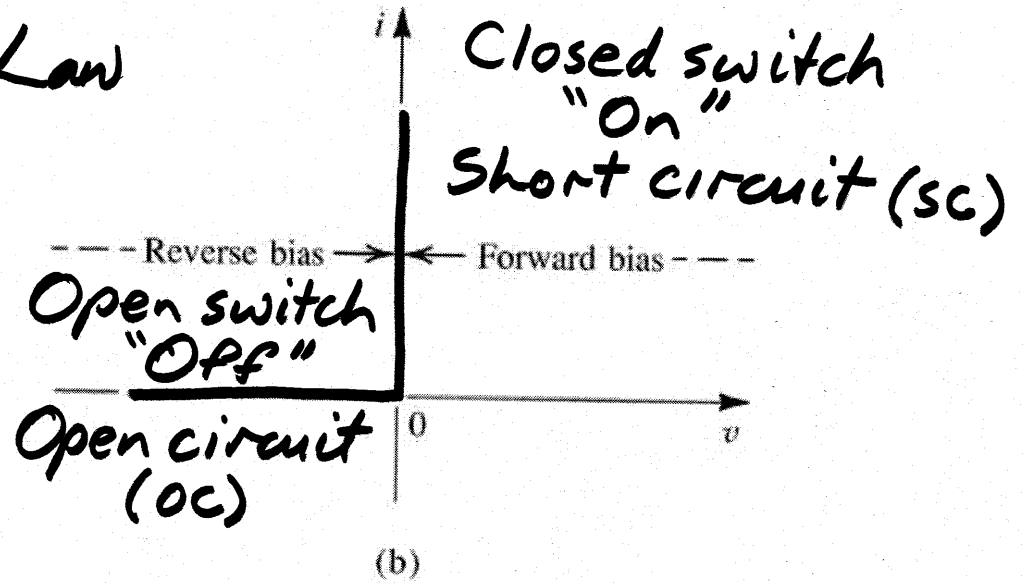
3.3 Modeling

- - - - how to deal with it.

Convention — compare Ohm's Law

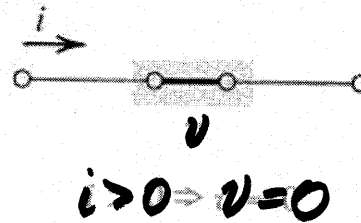


(a)



(c)

Reverse bias
Open circuit

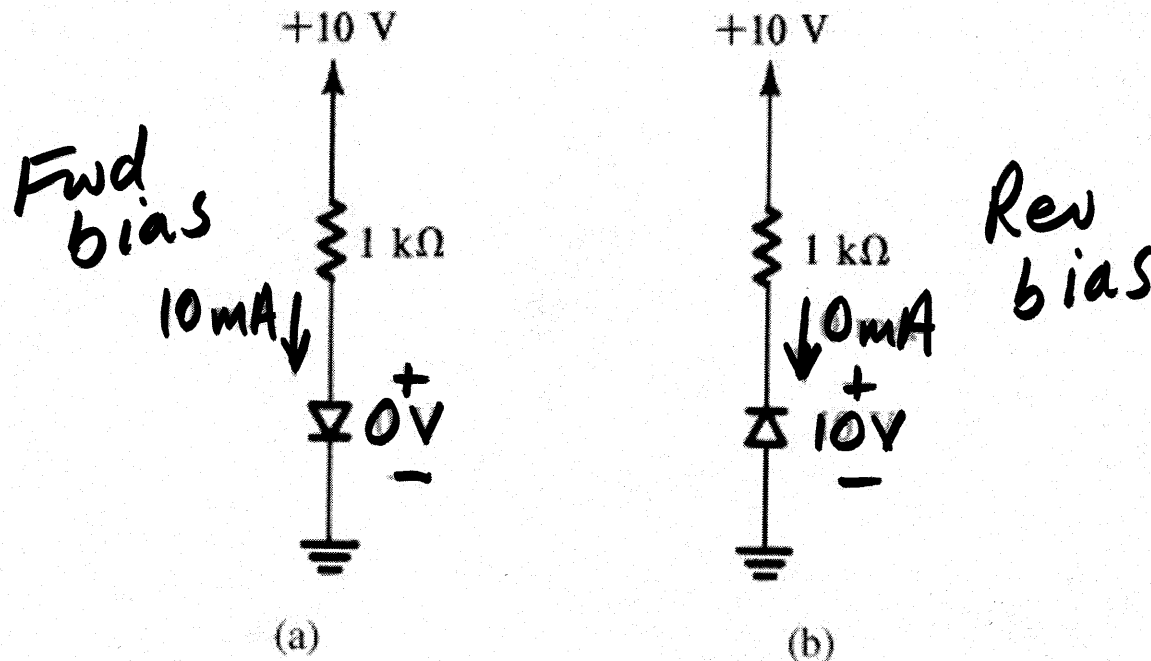


(d)

Fwd(?) bias
Short circuit

Figure 3.1 The ideal diode: (a) diode circuit symbol; (b) $i-v$ characteristic; (c) equivalent circuit in the reverse direction; (d) equivalent circuit in the forward direction.

"Ideal" Model

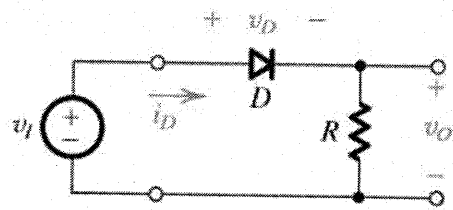


Non-linear: Can consider operation in 2 regions separately
(linear model for each)

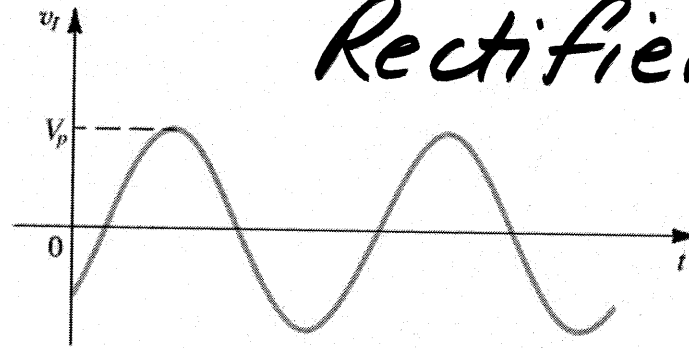
Figure 3.2 The two modes of operation of ideal diodes and the use of an external circuit to limit the forward current (a) and the reverse voltage (b).

Application 1.

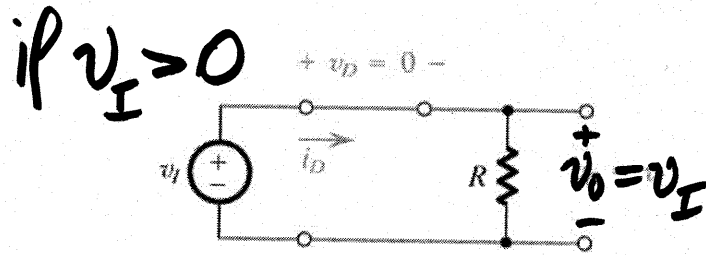
Rectifier



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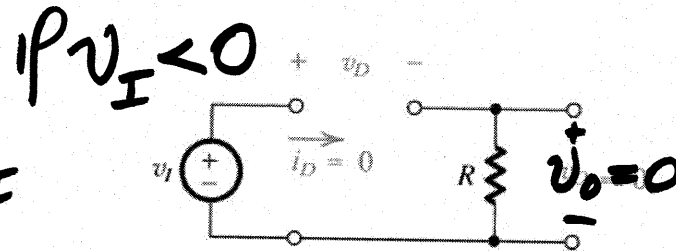


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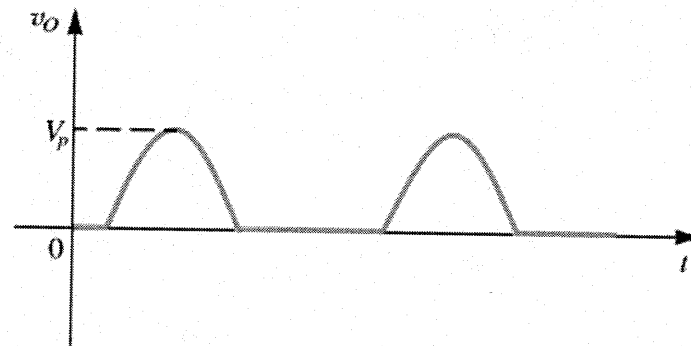
$$v_I \geq 0$$

(c)



$$v_I \leq 0$$

(d)

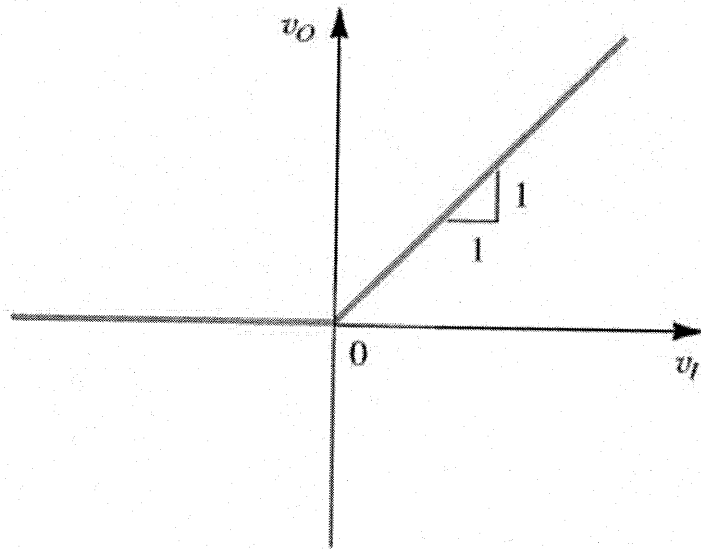


(e)

Figure 3.3 (a) Rectifier circuit. (b) Input waveform. (c) Equivalent circuit when $v_I \geq 0$. (d) Equivalent circuit when $v_I < 0$. (e) Output waveform.

Ex. 3.1 See prior page — sketch transfer characteristic v_o vs. v_I

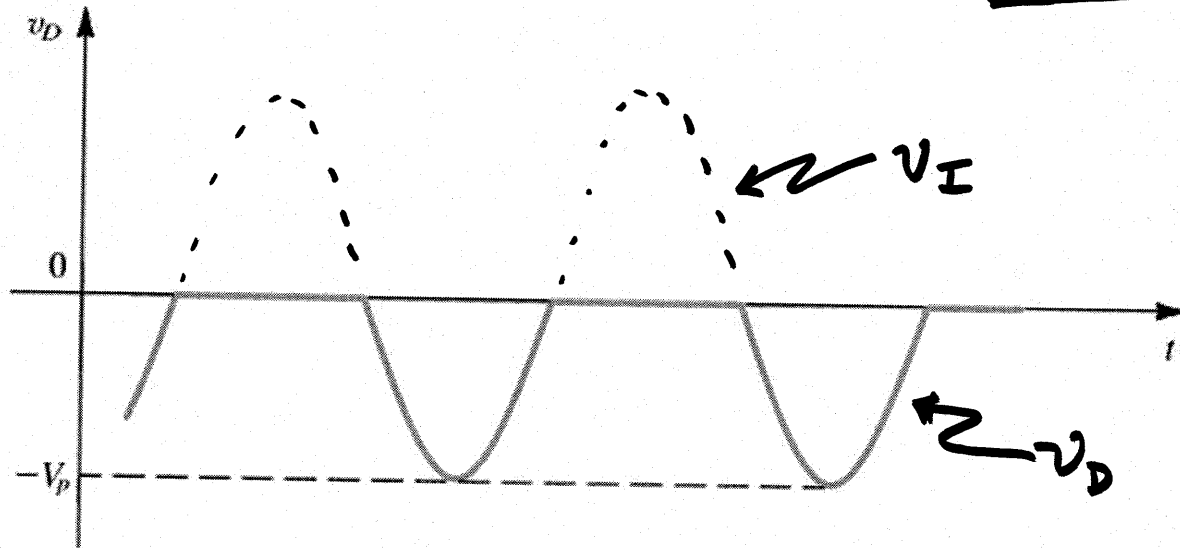
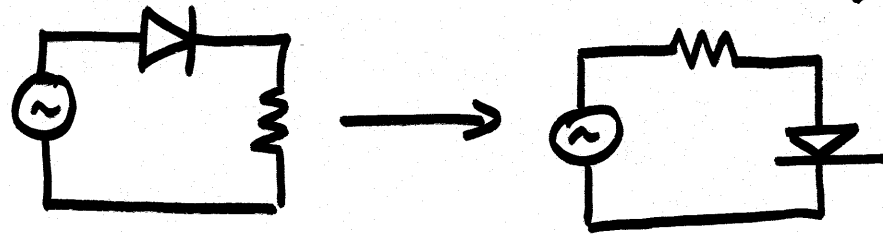
$v_I < 0$
Rev bias
 $i = 0$
 $\therefore v_o = 0$



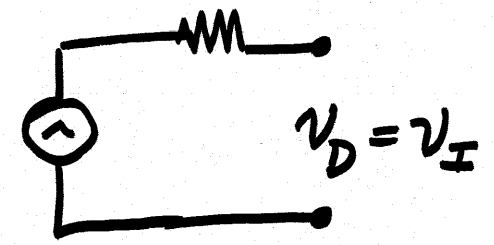
$v_I > 0$
Fwd bias
 $\therefore v_o = v_I$

Figure E3.1

Ex. 3.2. Prior circuit — sketch $v_D(t)$



$v_I < 0$ Diode off



$v_I > 0$ Diode on

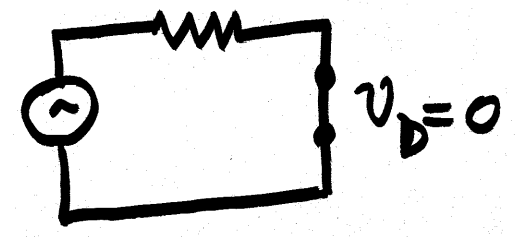
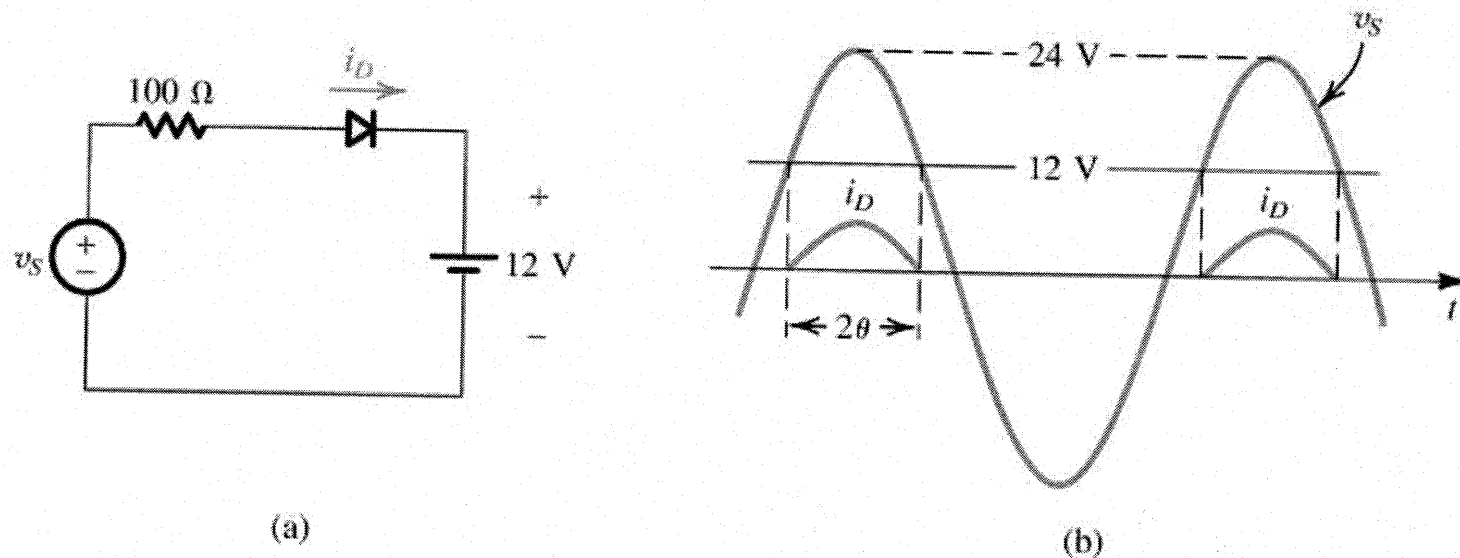


Figure E3.2

Example 3.1

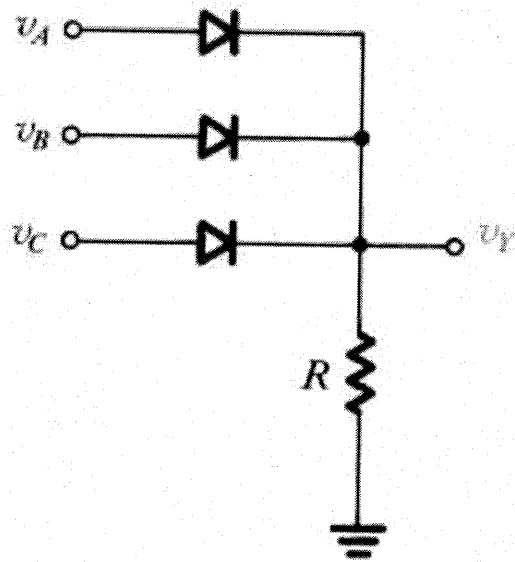


D on only when $v_I > 12\text{ V}$
 & $i_D = \frac{v_I - 12\text{ V}}{100\ \Omega}$ for $v_I > 12\text{ V}$ ONLY
 = 0 for $v_I < 12\text{ V}$

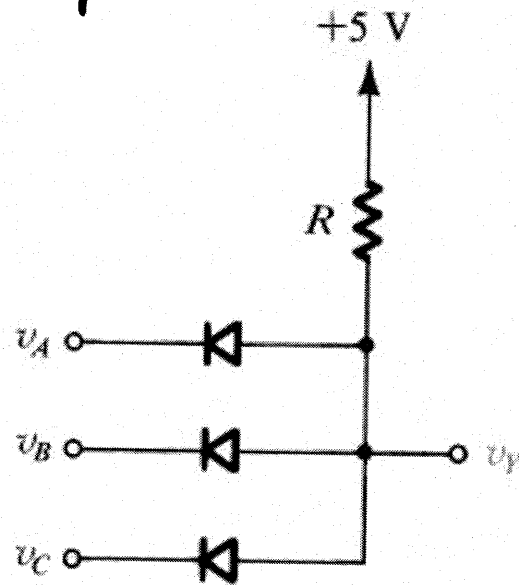
Figure 3.4 Circuit and waveforms for Example 3.1.

Application 2. Diode Logic

$\sim 0\text{V} \rightarrow \text{"0"}$
 $\sim 5\text{V} \rightarrow \text{"1"}$



(a)



(b)

Figure 3.5 Diode logic gates: (a) OR gate; (b) AND gate (in a positive-logic system).

See Table

(a)

V_A	V_B	V_C	D_A	D_B	D_C	V_Y
5v	5v	5v	ON	ON	ON	5v
		0v			OFF	5v
	0v	5v		OFF	ON	5v
		0v			OFF	5v
0v	5v	5v	OFF	ON	ON	5v
		0v			OFF	5v
	0v	5v		OFF	ON	5v
		0v			OFF	0v

$$Y = A + B + C$$

Any input 5v biases diode ON; current flows & $V_Y = 5v$

(b)

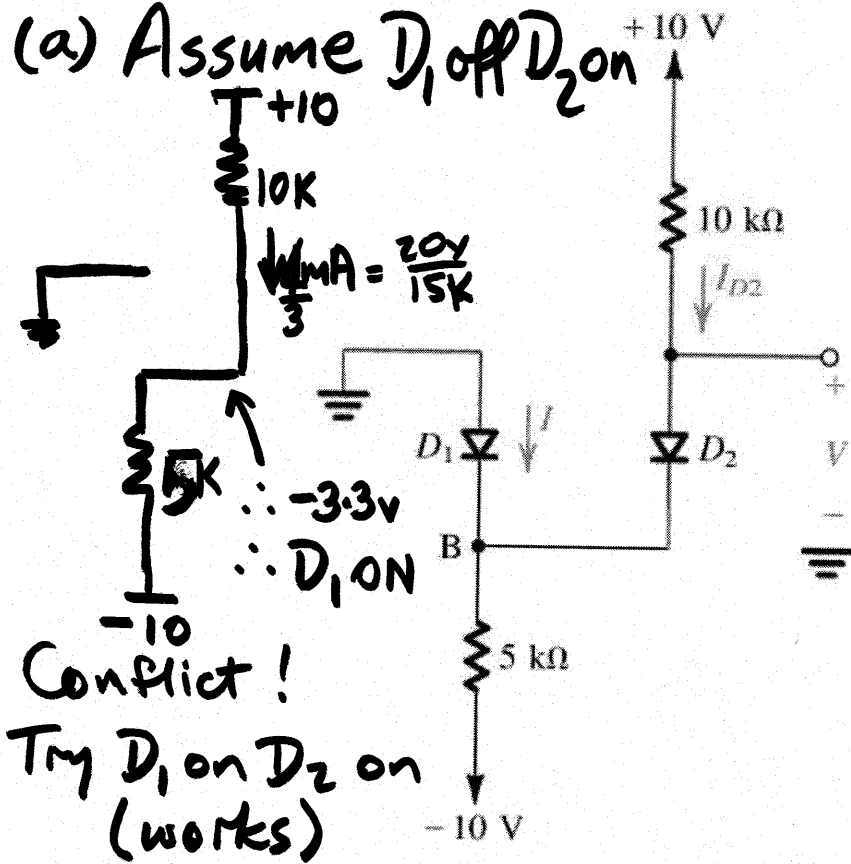
V_A	V_B	V_C	D_A	D_B	D_C	V_Y
5v	5v	5v	OFF	OFF	OFF	5v
		0v			ON	0v
	0v	5v		ON	OFF	0v
		0v			ON	0v
0v	5v	5v	ON	OFF	OFF	0v
		0v			ON	0v
	0v	5v		ON	OFF	0v
		0v			ON	0v

$$Y = A \cdot B \cdot C$$

$V_Y = 5v$ requires all diodes OFF; no current flows & needs all inputs = 5v

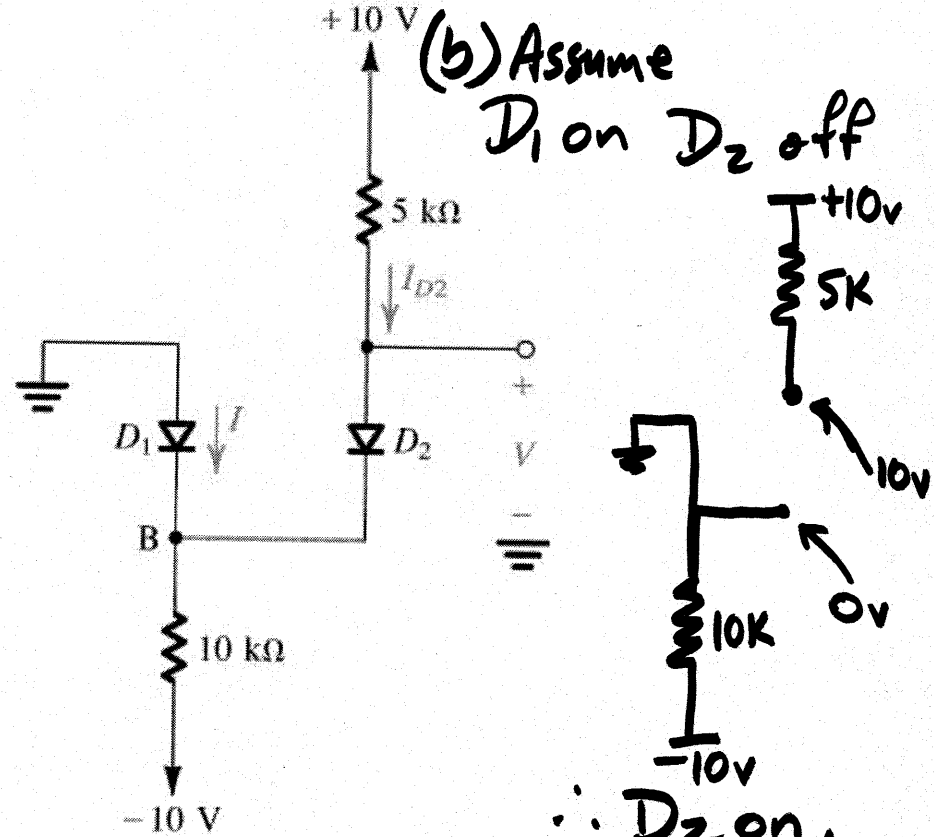
Example 3.2

(a) Assume D_1 off D_2 on



(a)

(b) Assume D_1 on D_2 off



(b)

Main point here is:

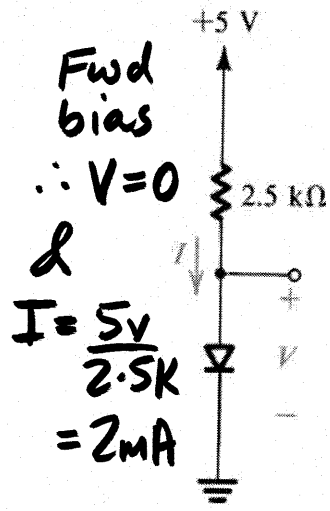
(1) Assume "state," eg. D_1 on, D_2 off

(2) Analyze circuit, (voltages & currents)

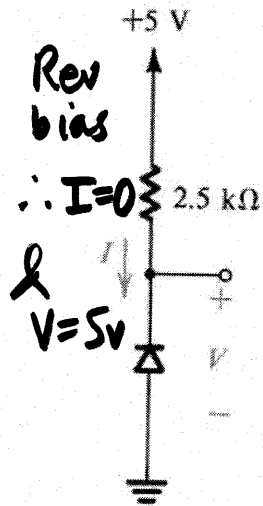
for $D_{ON} \rightarrow$ s.c. & $D_{OFF} \rightarrow$ o.c. eg D_1 s.c. D_2 o.c.
 (3) Check result against assumption; if conflict, revise assumption

Figure 3.6 Circuits for Example 3.2

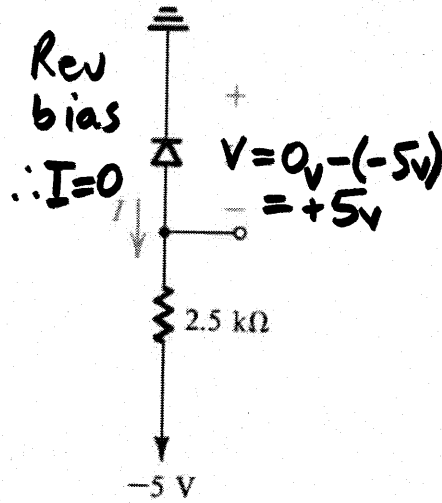
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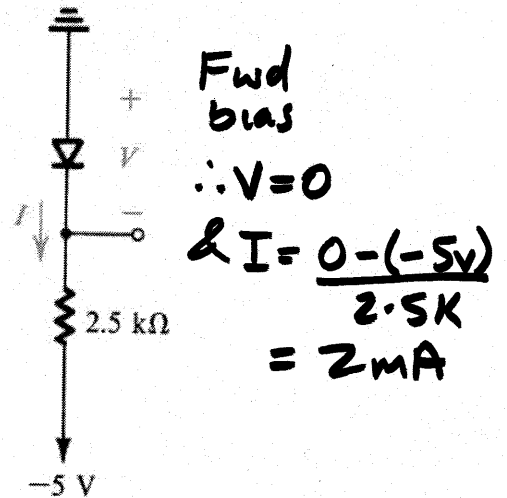
(a)



(b)



(c)



(d)

Assume D_1 on, D_2 & D_3 off

$\therefore V=1V$

$\therefore D_2$ & D_3 on

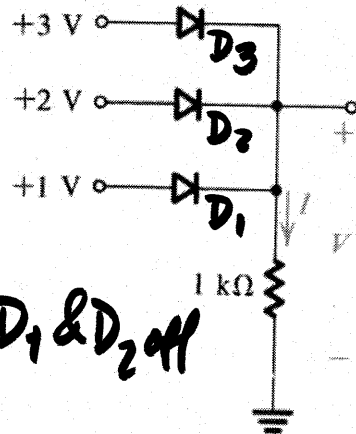
Try again:

Assume D_3 on, D_1 & D_2 off

$\therefore V=3V$

$\therefore D_2, D_3$ off

OK.



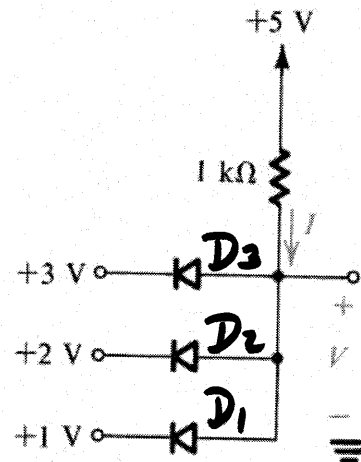
(e)

Assume D_1 on, D_2 & D_3 off

$\therefore V=+1V$

$\therefore D_2$ & D_3 off

OK.

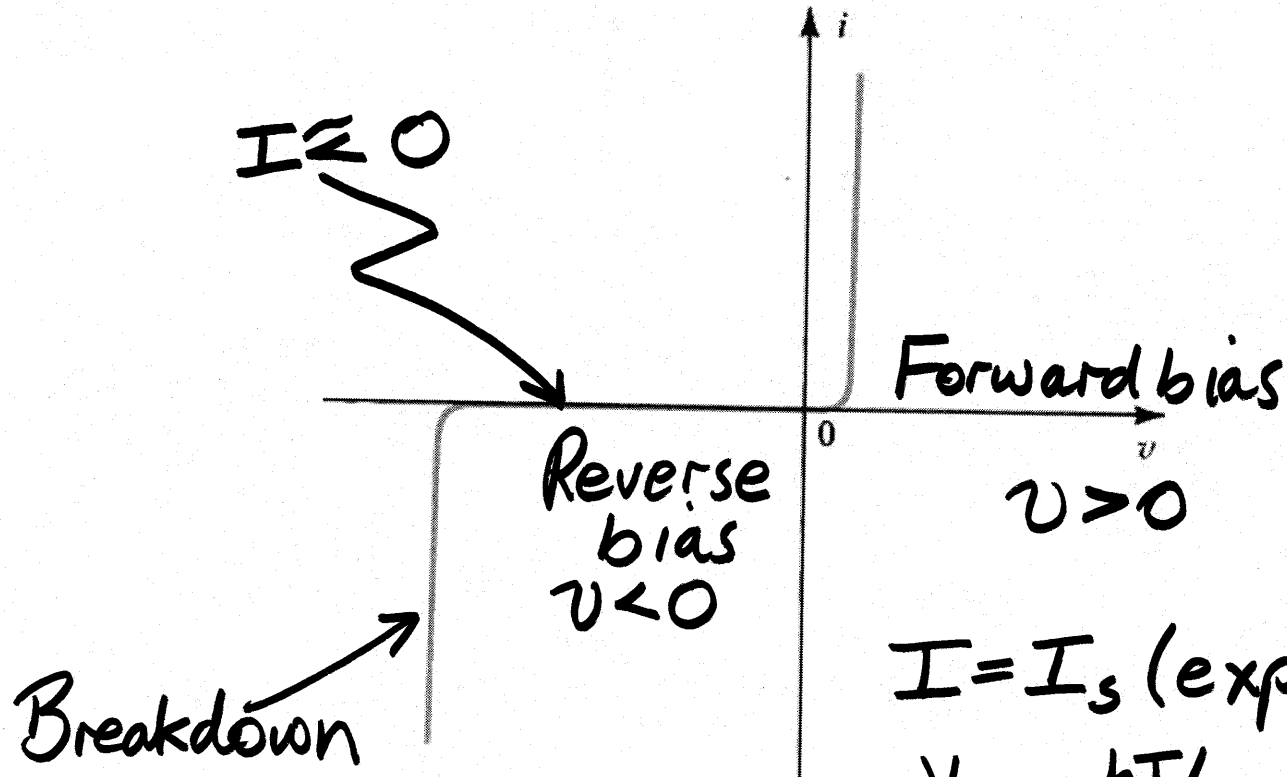


(f)

Figure E3.4

Ex. 3.5

Actual Characteristics



$$I = I_s \left(\exp \frac{v}{nV_T} - 1 \right)$$

$$V_T = kT/q$$

$\approx 25\text{mV}$
at 25°C

$k = 1.38 \times 10^{-23} \text{ J/K}$
Boltzmann's constant
 $q = 1.6 \times 10^{-19} \text{ C}$
electronic charge

T absolute temperature

V_T is the "thermal" voltage
 $n = 1 \rightarrow 2$

Typically $n=1$ in ICs, $n=2$ discretes.

Figure 3.7 The $i-v$ characteristic of a silicon junction diode.

I_s : Reverse saturation current
OR Scale current (\propto area)

$$I = I_s \left(\exp \frac{v}{nV_T} - 1 \right)$$

$$\approx I_s \exp \frac{v}{nV_T} \quad \text{for } v \gg nV_T$$

$$I \gg I_s$$

$$\text{so } v = nV_T \ln(I/I_s)$$

Now for $I_1(V_1)$ and $I_2(V_2)$

$$V_2 = nV_T \ln(I_2/I_s)$$

$$V_1 = nV_T \ln(I_1/I_s)$$

$$V_2 - V_1 = nV_T \ln(I_2/I_1)$$

$$\approx nV_T \cdot 2.3 \log_{10}(I_2/I_1)$$

I increases decade as v increases 60-120mV (depends on nV_T)

For "Fully" conducting diode at $v \sim 0.6 \rightarrow 0.8$ volts

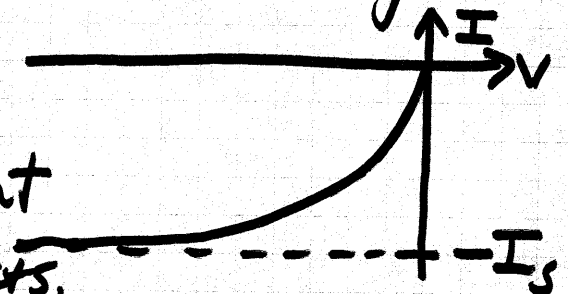
\rightarrow negligible current for $v \leq 0.5$ v

i.e. "cut-in" voltage — turn-on voltage

$$\text{For } v < 0 \quad I = -I_s \left(1 - \exp \frac{-|v|}{nV_T} \right)$$

Theoretical reverse "saturation" current

In fact $I_{rev} \gg I_s$ due to 2nd order effects.



Zener
"knee" voltage

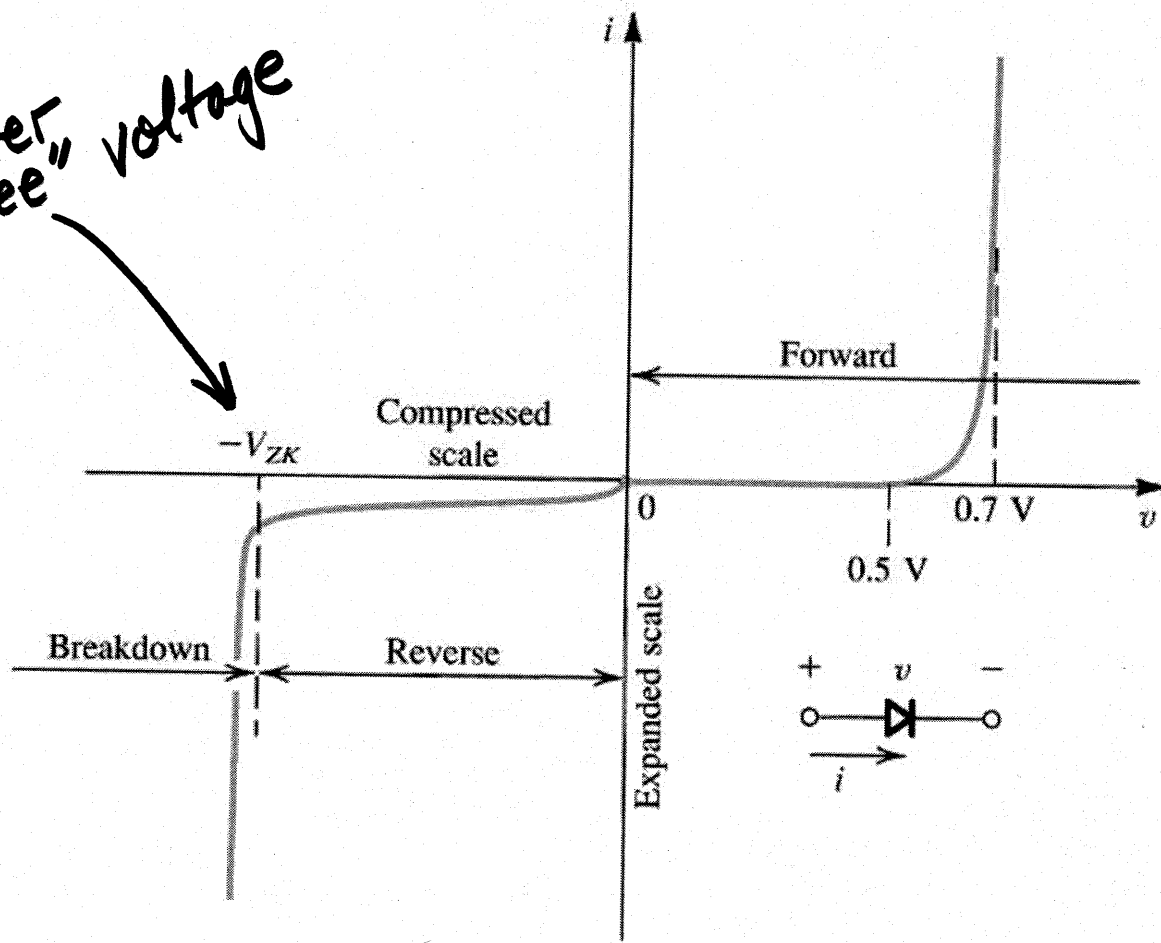
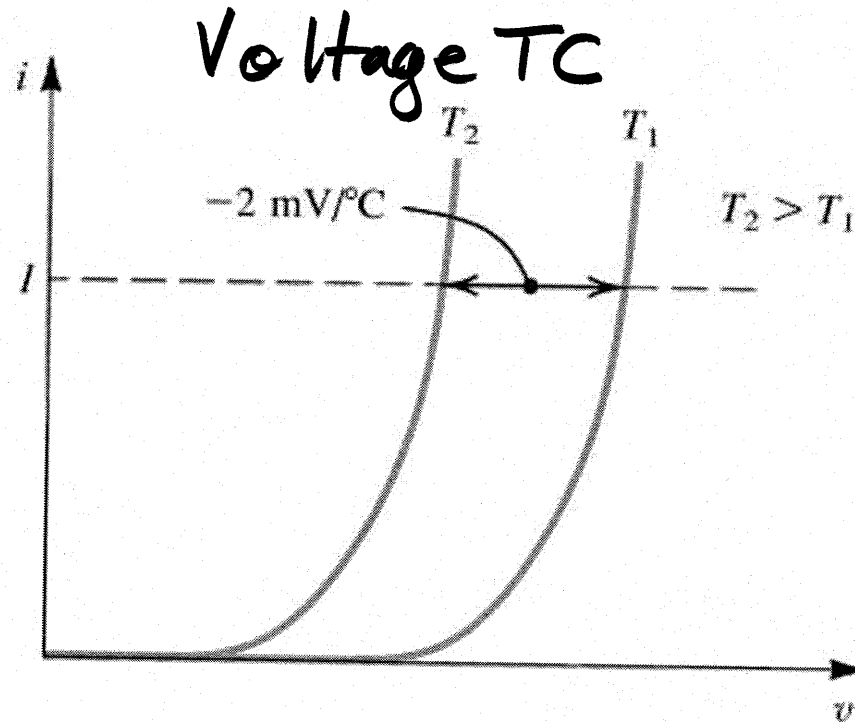


Figure 3.8 The diode $i-v$ relationship with some scales expanded and others compressed in order to reveal details.

Thermal Effects



OR I_s doubles \sim every 5°C increase in T
(for fixed v)

Figure 3.9 Illustrating the temperature dependence of the diode forward characteristic. At a constant current, the voltage drop decreases by approximately 2 mV for every 1°C increase in temperature.

Ex. 3.6

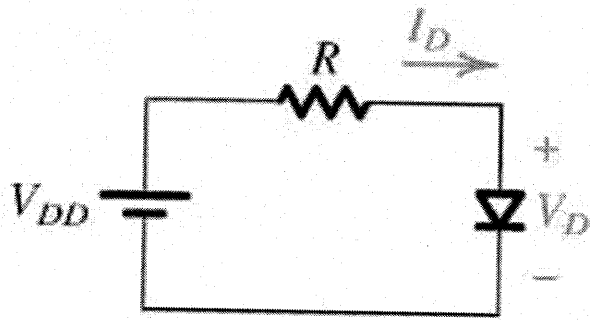
Ex. 3.7

Ex. 3.8

Ex. 3.9

Modeling Diode

1. Exponential model



$$I_D \approx I_S \exp V_D/nV_T$$

$$I_D = (V_{DD} - V_D)/R \longrightarrow V_D = V_{DD} - I_D R$$

$$\therefore I_D = I_S \exp (V_{DD} - I_D R)/nV_T$$

Transcendental Equation in I_D

Figure 3.10 A simple circuit used to illustrate the analysis of circuits in which the diode is forward conducting.

No closed solution

Hence other techniques

(a) Graphical solution

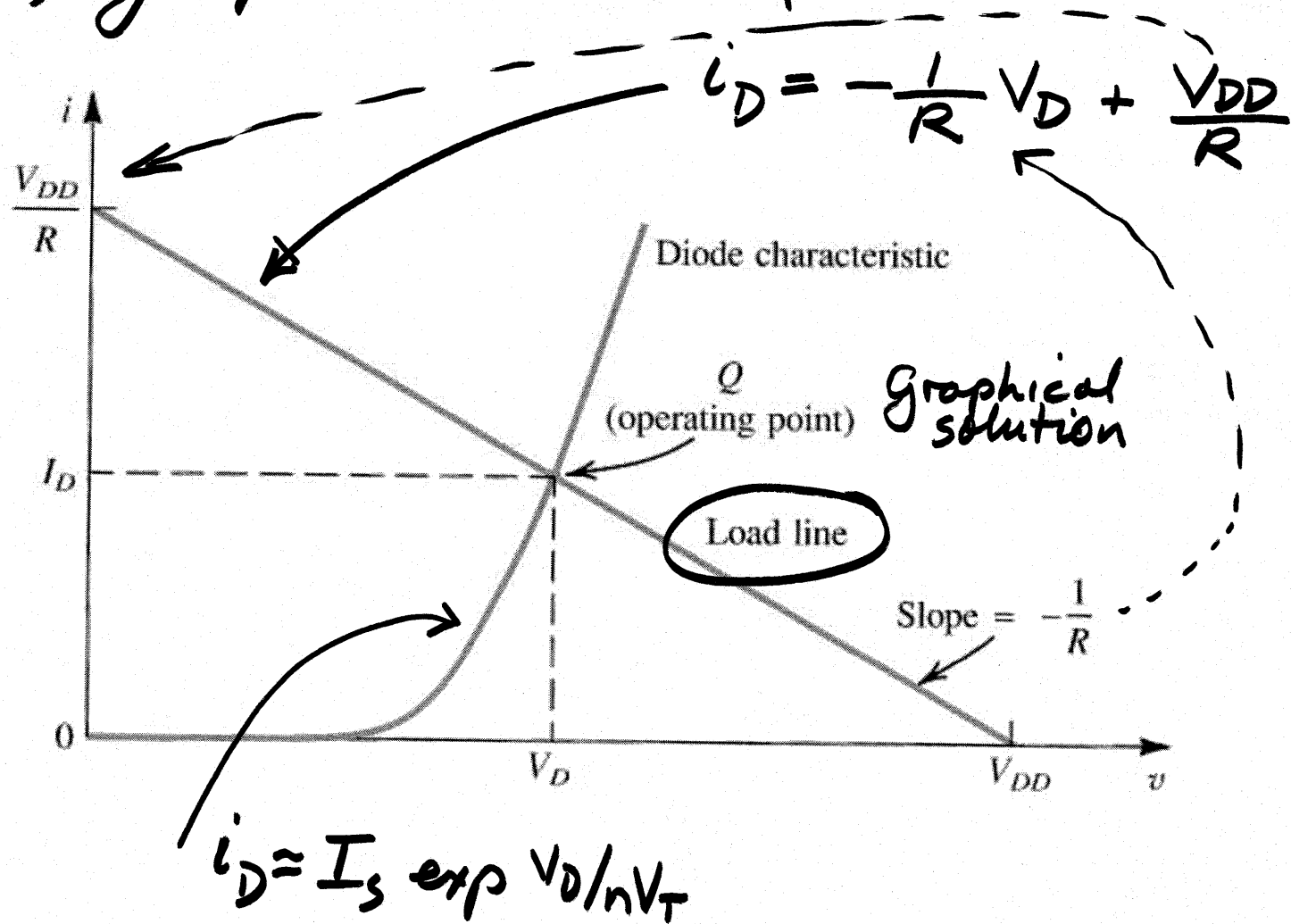


Figure 3.11 Graphical analysis of the circuit in Fig. 3.10 using the exponential diode model.

(b) Iterative Solution

Example 3.4 : $V_{DD} = 5V$ $R = 1K\Omega$

Diode $1mA$ at $0.7V$

& $\Delta V = 0.1V$ per decade current

$$V_2 - V_1 = 2.3 nV_T \log_{10} I_2 / I_1$$

$$\therefore 2.3 nV_T = 0.1V$$

$$\text{So } V_2 = V_1 + 0.1 \log I_2 / I_1$$

Iteration 1: Assume $V_1 = 0.7V$

$$\therefore I_1 = \frac{V_{DD} - V_D}{R} = \frac{5 - 0.7}{1K} = 4.3mA$$

Iteration 2:

$$\therefore \text{Re-calc } V_2 = 0.7 + 0.1 \log(4.3mA / 1mA) = 0.7633V$$

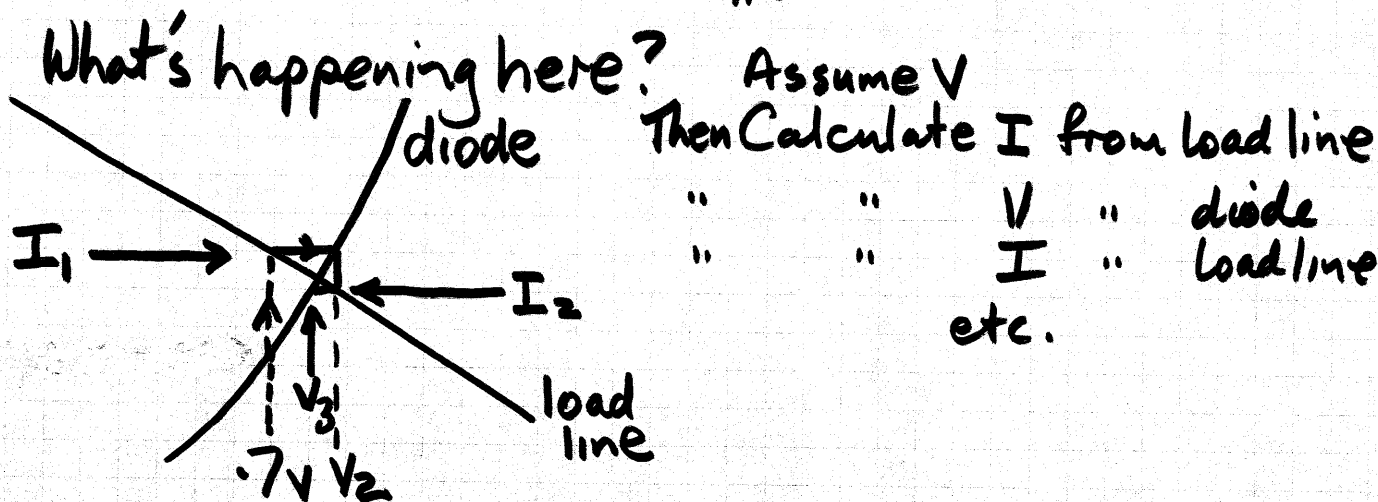
$$\& I_2 = \frac{5 - 0.763}{1K} = 4.237mA$$

Iteration 3:

$$\text{Re-calc } V_3 = 0.7 + 0.1 \log(4.237) \quad \text{OR} \quad 0.763 + 0.1 \log\left(\frac{4.237}{4.3}\right)$$

$$= 0.7627V \approx 0.763V$$

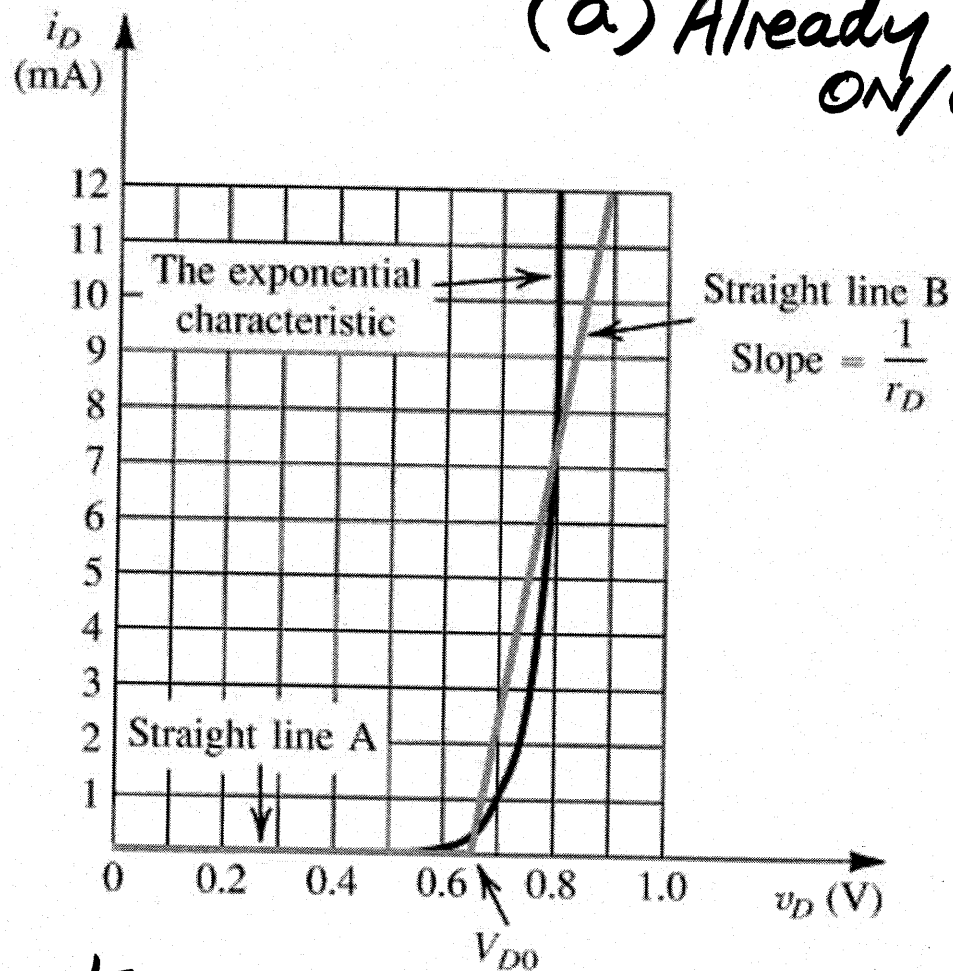
$$I_3 = \frac{5 - 0.7627}{1K} \approx 4.237mA \quad \parallel \therefore \text{Converged.}$$



Caution:
Spiral direction
 $R > r_D$
Depends on I, V from
load line or diode
Opposite for $R < r_D$.

Linear Piecewise Models

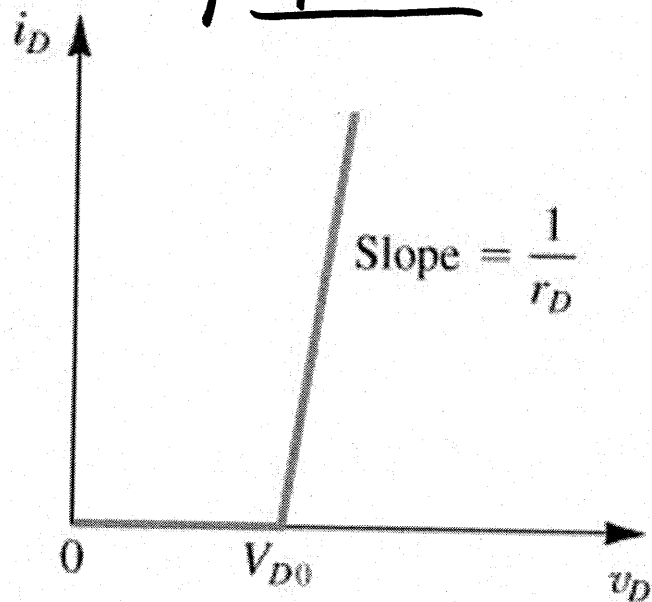
(a) Already saw the "ideal" ON/OFF switch model



(b) Add turn-on voltage V_{D0} and forward slope $1/r_D$ (or "cut-in")

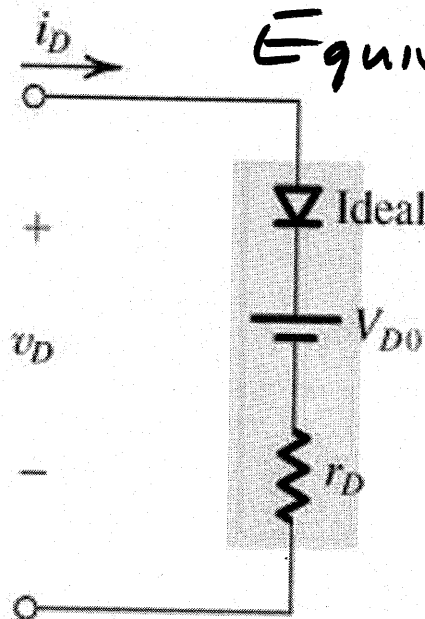
Figure 3.12 Approximating the diode forward characteristic with two straight lines: the piecewise-linear model.

Graphical



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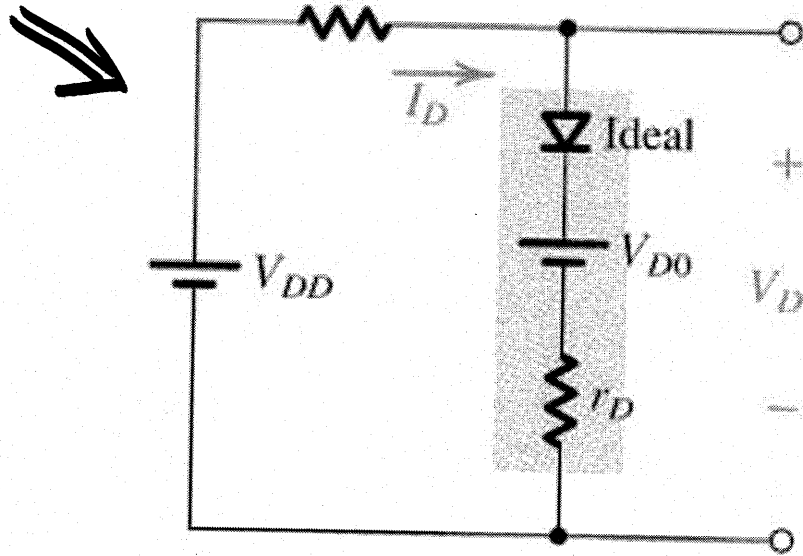
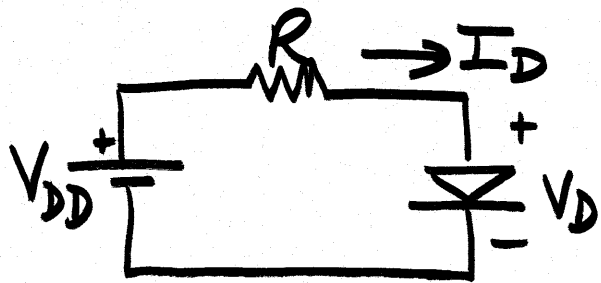
Equivalent circuit



(b)

$$i_D = \frac{v_D - V_{D0}}{r_D} \quad \text{for } v_D > V_{D0}$$
$$= 0 \quad \text{for } v_D < V_{D0}$$

Figure 3.13 Piecewise-linear model of the diode forward characteristic and its equivalent circuit representation.



Replace diode by equivalent circuit
i.e. by model

Figure 3.14 The circuit of Fig. 3.10 with the diode replaced with its piecewise-linear model of Fig. 3.13.

(c) Simplification:
Constant Voltage $V_D (\approx 0.7\text{V})$

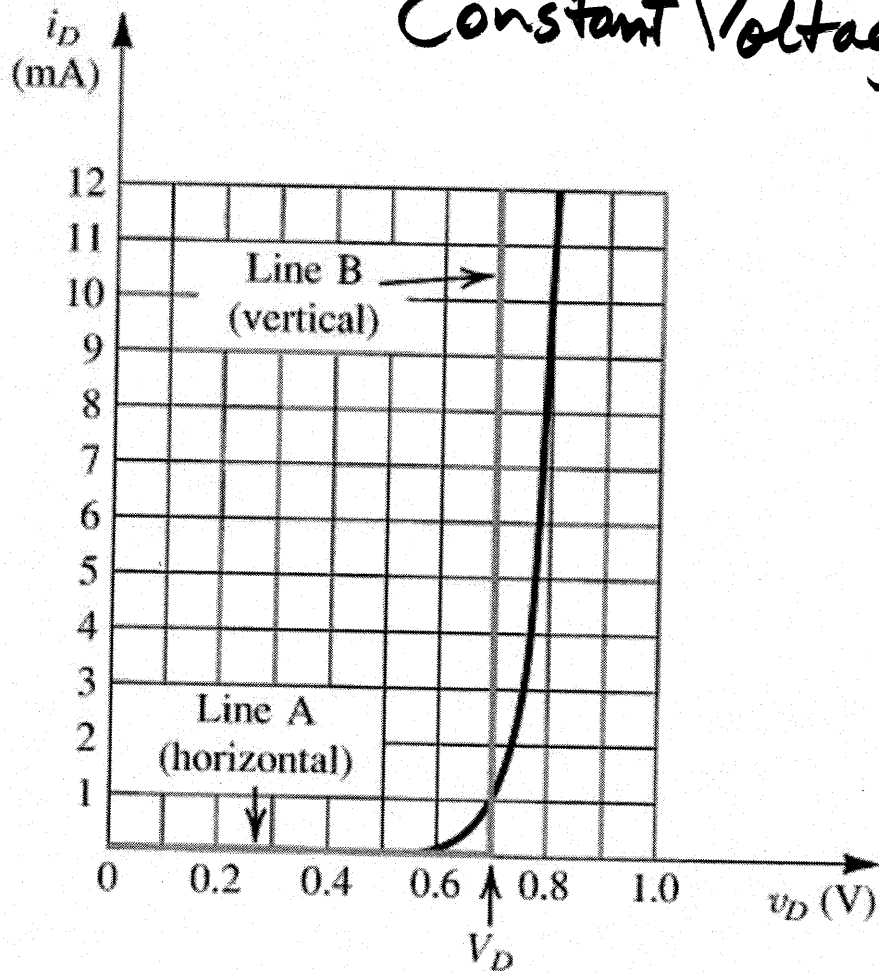
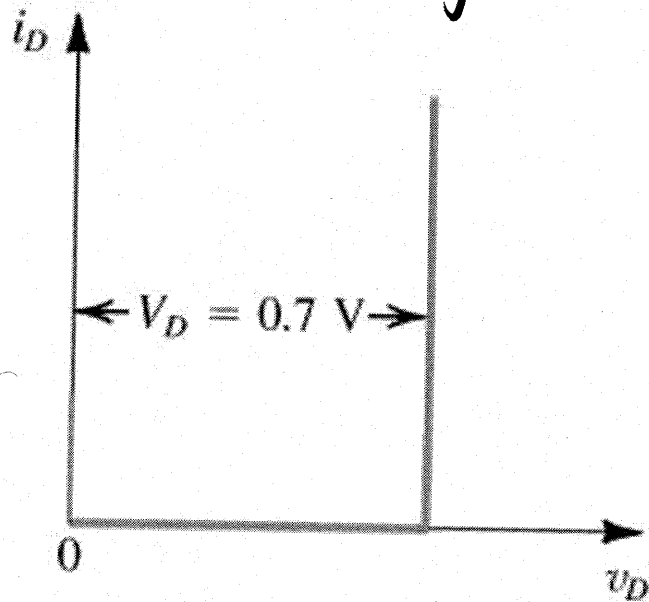
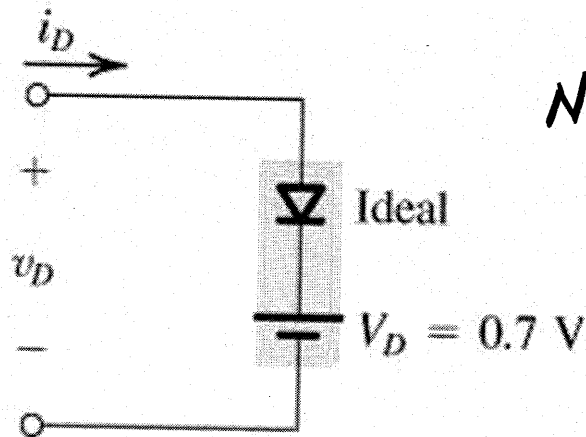


Figure 3.15 Development of the constant-voltage-drop model of the diode forward characteristics. A vertical straight line (B) is used to approximate the fast-rising exponential. Observe that this simple model predicts V_D to within ± 0.1 V over the current range of 0.1 mA to 10 mA.

Constant Voltage Equivalent Circuit



(a)



Note: $i_D \rightarrow 0$

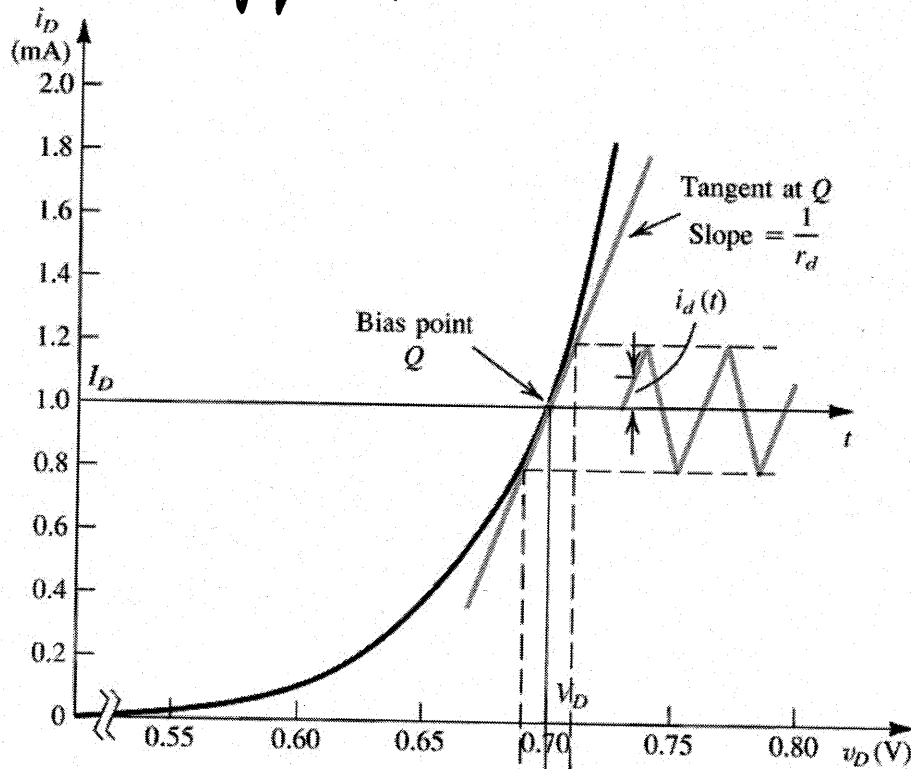
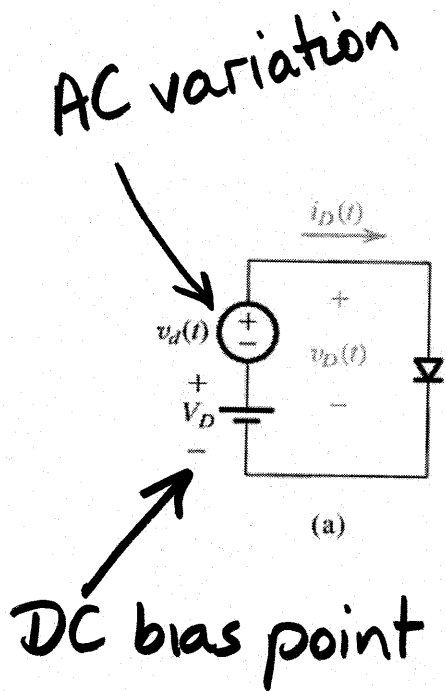
(b)

(d) Ideal \rightarrow set $V_{D0} = 0$ here

Figure 3.16 The constant-voltage-drop model of the diode forward characteristics and its equivalent-circuit representation.

Ex. D3.12

3. Small Signal Approximation



$$I_D = I_s \exp V_D / nV_T$$

$$\frac{\partial I_D}{\partial V_D} = \frac{I_s}{nV_T} \exp \frac{V_D}{nV_T}$$

$$= \frac{I_D}{nV_T}$$

(b)

Small signal resistance
Incremental resistance
Dynamic resistance
AC resistance

Figure 3.17 Development of the diode small-signal model. Note that the numerical values shown are for a diode with $n = 2$.

$$\therefore r_D = \frac{\partial V_D}{\partial I_D} = \frac{nV_T}{I_D}$$

Example 3.6

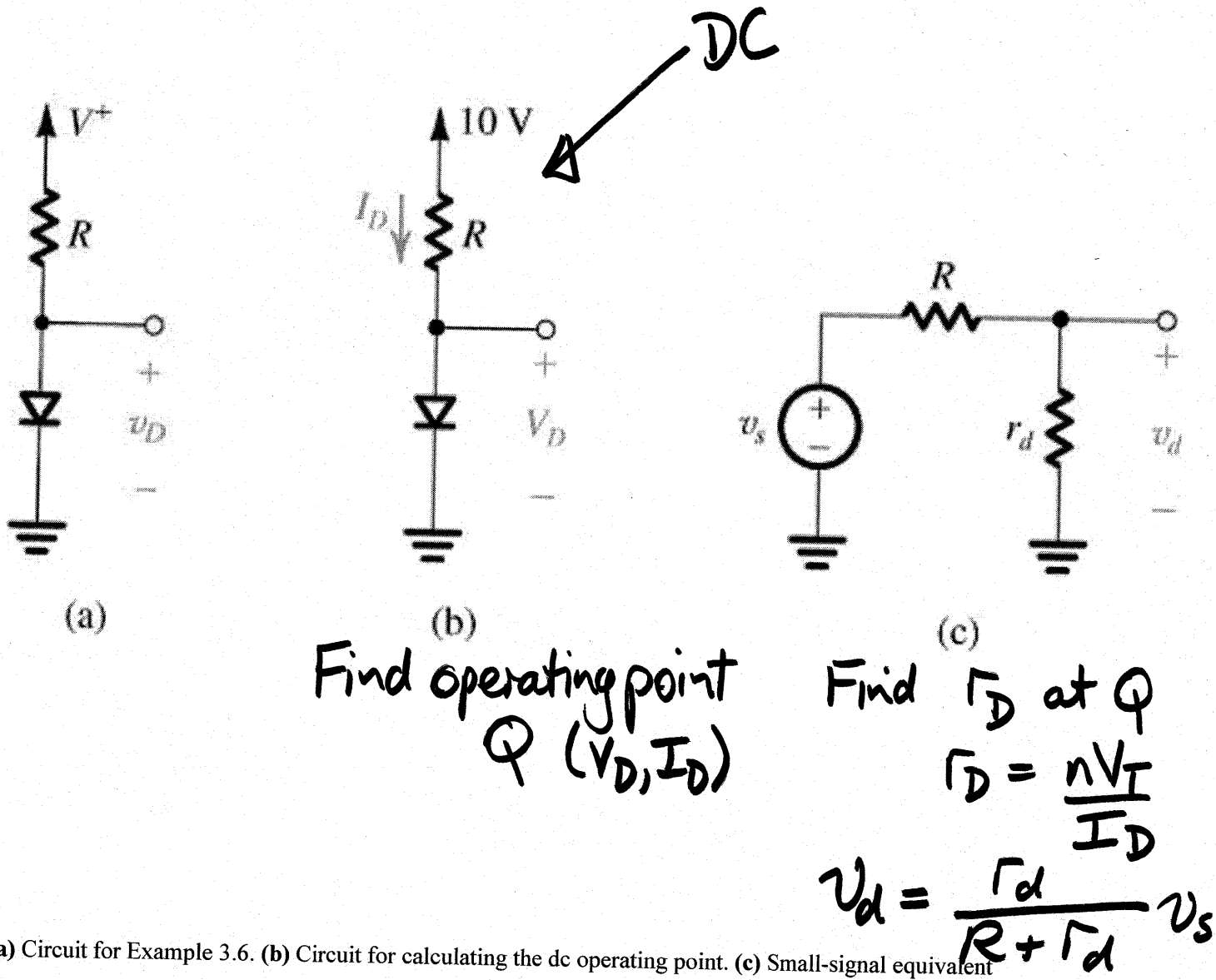


Figure 3.18 (a) Circuit for Example 3.6. (b) Circuit for calculating the dc operating point. (c) Small-signal equivalent circuit.

Ex. D3.16

Exponential \longrightarrow Linear piecewise

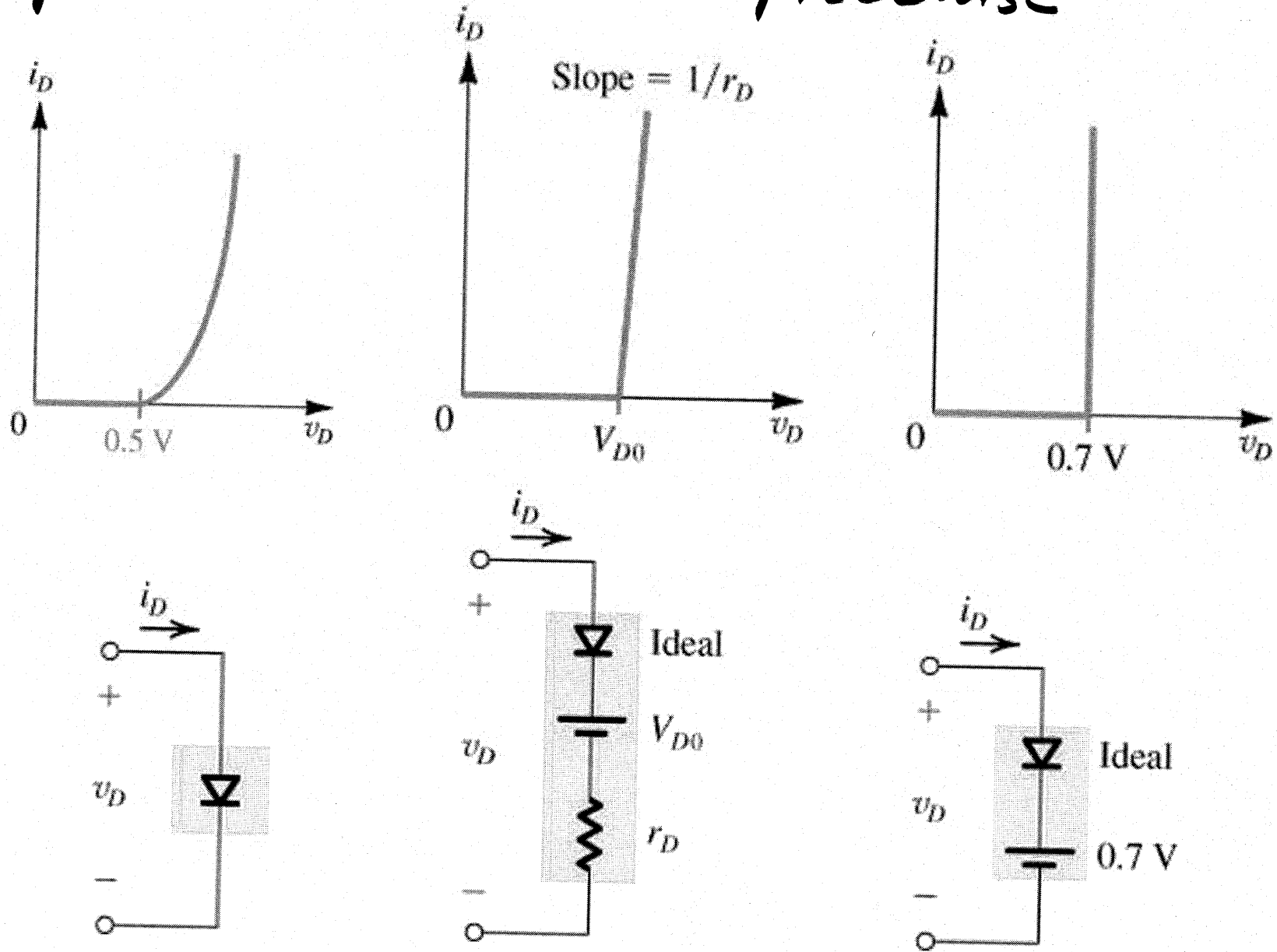
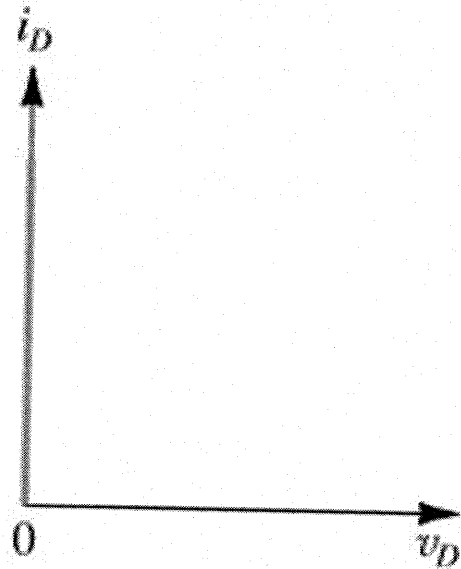


Table 3.1 Modeling the Diode Forward Characteristic

MODELING SUMMARY

(Ideal)



Small-signal

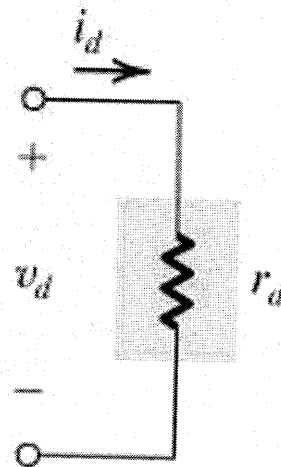
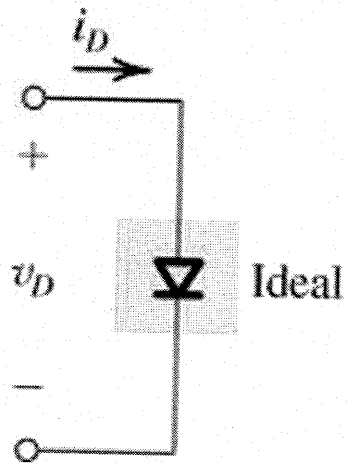
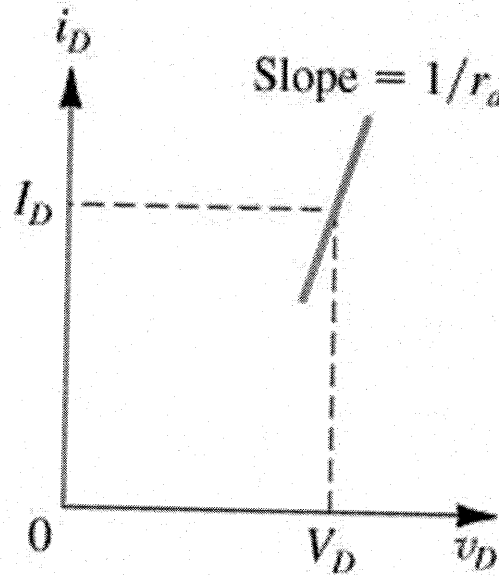
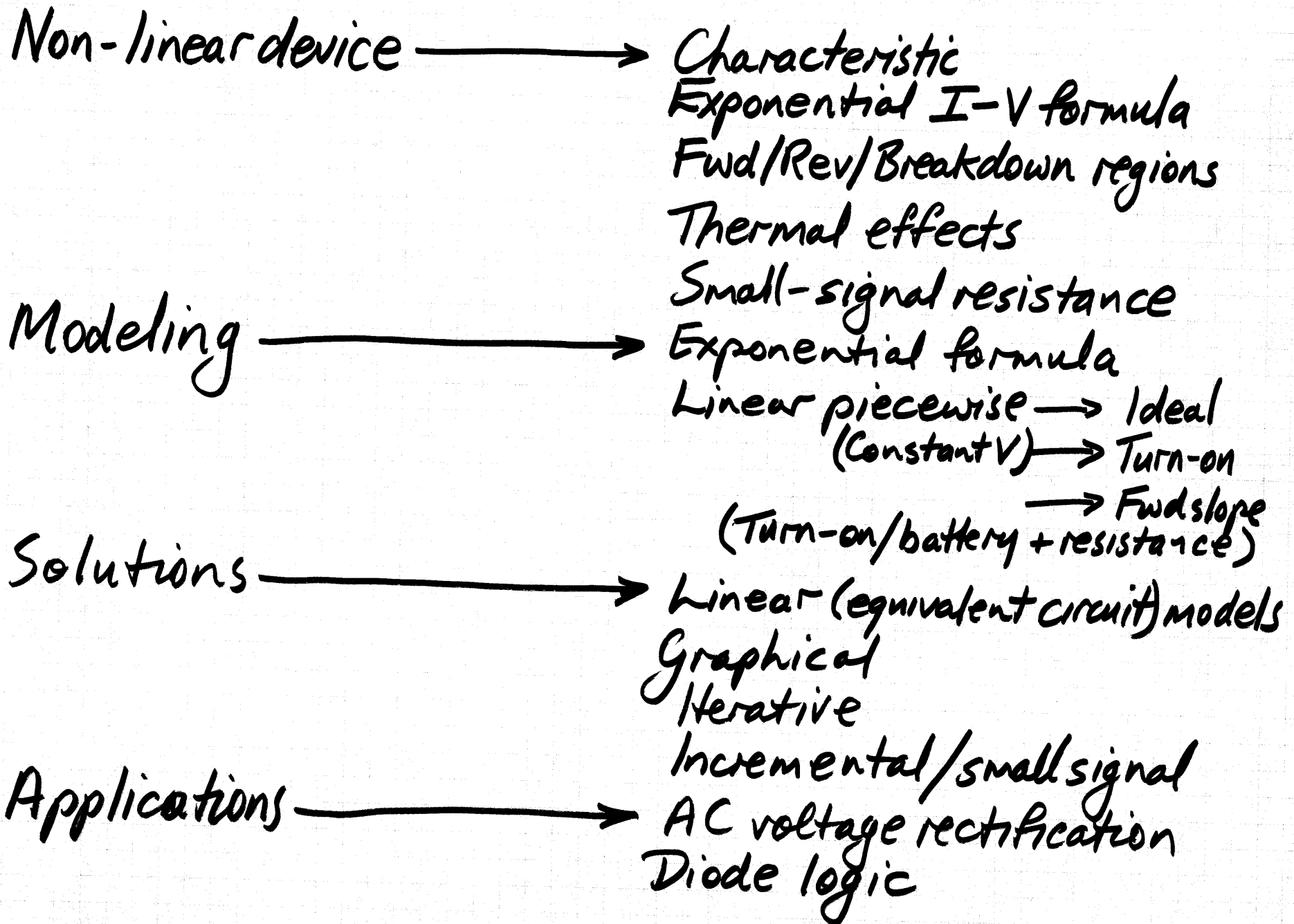


Table 3.1 (Continued)

MODELING SUMMARY

SUMMARY: New Concepts

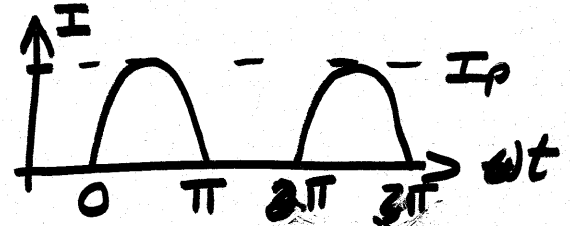


Ex 3.5 AC voltmeter — Full scale when average $I = 1\text{mA}$

$$I = v_I / (R + 50) \text{ for } v_I > 0$$

$$I = 0 \text{ for } v_I < 0$$

$$\text{Av. } I = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^\pi I_p \sin \omega t \, d(\omega t)$$

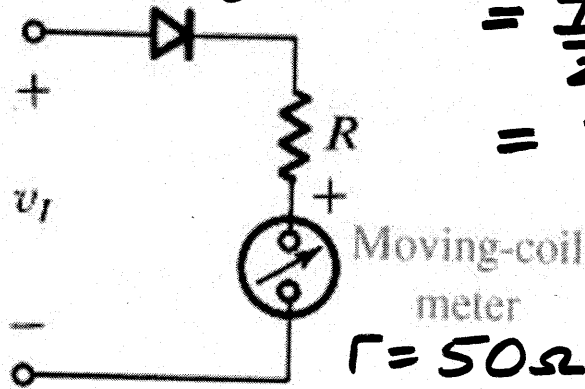


$$= \frac{I_p}{2\pi} [-\cos \omega t]_0^\pi$$

$$= \frac{I_p}{2\pi} (-(-1) - (-1))$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{I_p}{\pi}$$

(Hint provided)



Need $\rightarrow \frac{10\text{V}}{\pi (R + 50\Omega)} = 10^{-3}\text{A}$

ie. $R = \frac{10}{\pi} \text{K}\Omega - 50\Omega$

$\approx 3.133 \text{K}\Omega$

Figure E3.5

10v for 20v p-p full scale (given)

Ex 3.6 Si diode with $n=1.5$. Find ΔV for I change $0.1\text{mA} \rightarrow 10\text{mA}$

$$V_2 - V_1 = nV_T \ln(I_2/I_1)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta V &= 1.5 \times 25\text{mV} \times \ln(100) \approx 37.5\text{mV} \times 2.3 \times 2 \\ &= 2.3 \times 75\text{mV} = 172.5\text{mV} \end{aligned}$$

Ex. 3.7 Si diode with $n=1$, $v=0.7\text{V}$ at $i=1\text{mA}$. Find ΔV for $i=0.1\text{mA}$ & $i=10\text{mA}$

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta V &= 1 \times 2.3 \times 25\text{mV} \times \log_{10} 10 \leftarrow 10\text{mA} \\ &= 57.5\text{mV} \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore 0.1\text{mA} \rightarrow 0.7 - 0.06\text{V} \approx 0.64\text{V}$$

$$10\text{mA} \rightarrow 0.7 + 0.06\text{V} \approx 0.76\text{V}$$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} 0.1\text{mA} \rightarrow \log_{10} 10^{-1} \\ \rightarrow -57.5\text{mV} \end{array} \right\}$$

OR $1\text{mA} = I_s \exp \frac{0.7\text{V}}{25\text{mV}} \therefore I_s = 10^{-3} \exp -28 = 6.9 \times 10^{-16}\text{A}$

Then $V = 25\text{mV} \ln(I'/6.9 \times 10^{-16}) \rightarrow$ same result.
 $\uparrow 10^{-3} \& 10^{-4}$

Ex. 3.8. $I_s = 10^{-14}\text{A}$ at 25°C , I_s incr $15\%/^\circ\text{C}$. Find I_s at 125°C

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta T &= 125^\circ\text{C} - 25^\circ\text{C} = 100^\circ\text{C}, \quad I_s = 10^{-14}\text{A} \times 1.15^{\Delta T} \\ &= 10^{-14} \times 1.15^{100}\text{A} \\ &= 1.17 \times 10^{-5}\text{A} \end{aligned}$$

Ex 3.9

High current diode, approx constant reverse leakage
 $V = 1\text{V}$ at 20°C , find V at 40°C & 0°C

$$V = 1\text{V}$$

$$\therefore I_s)_{20^\circ\text{C}} = 1\mu\text{A}$$

Assume I_s doubles every 10°C

$$\therefore I_s)_{40^\circ\text{C}} = 4\mu\text{A}$$

$$\& I_s)_{0^\circ\text{C}} = 0.25\mu\text{A}$$

$$\therefore V)_{40^\circ\text{C}} = 4\text{V}$$

$$V)_{0^\circ\text{C}} = 0.25\text{V}$$

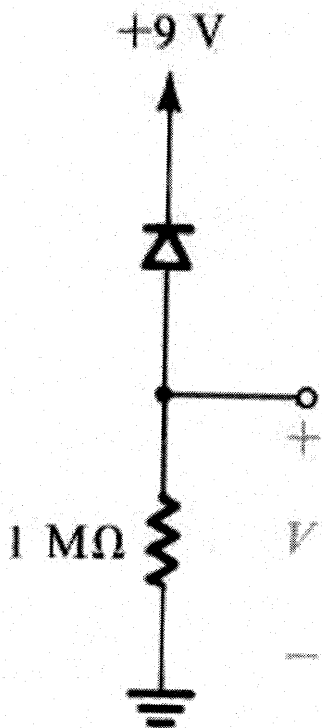


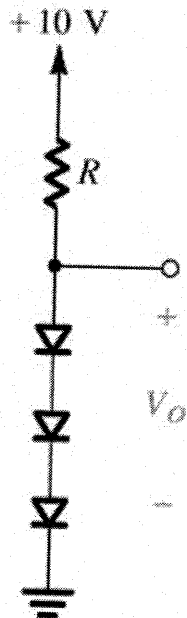
Figure E3.9

Ex D. 3.12. Design for $V_0 = 2.4\text{V}$. Diodes 1mA at 0.7V
 $\Delta V = 0.1\text{V/decade current}$

Need $2.4\text{V}/3$
 $= 0.8\text{V/diode}$

$0.1\text{ volt/decade current}$
 $\therefore 0.8\text{V} \rightarrow 10\text{mA}$

$\therefore R = \frac{10 - 2.4\text{V}}{10\text{mA}}$
 $= \frac{7.6\text{V}}{10^{-2}\text{A}} = 760\Omega$



$\therefore \Delta V = 0.1\text{V}$
 $= 2.3nV_T \log 10$
 $= 2.3nV_T$

Figure E3.12

Ex. D3.15.

$V_0 = 3\text{V}$ when $I_L = 0$.
 V_0 changes $40\text{mV}/\text{mA}$ of I_L .

Find R and diode junction area relative to $0.7\text{V}, 1\text{mA}$ diode. $n=1$

$V_D = 0.75\text{V}$ for
 $V_0 = 3\text{V}$ at $I_L = 0$, &
 $I_D R = 12\text{V}$

$\Delta V = 40\text{mV}/\text{mA}$,
 i.e. $10\text{mV}/\text{mA}$ per diode

i.e. $r_d = 10\Omega$

$$\therefore \frac{nV_T}{I_D} = \frac{25\text{mV}}{I_D} = 10\Omega$$

$$\therefore I_D = 2.5\text{mA}$$

$$\longrightarrow R = \frac{12\text{V}}{2.5\text{mA}} = 4.8\text{k}\Omega$$

Need $I_D = 2.5\text{mA}$ at 0.75V

Figure E3.16

$$I_2 = I_1 \exp \frac{V_2 - V_1}{nV_T} = 1\text{mA} \exp \frac{0.75 - 0.70}{0.025} = (\exp 2) \text{mA}$$

$$\therefore \text{Area} = \frac{2.5\text{mA}}{\exp 2 \text{mA}} = \frac{2.5}{7.4} = 0.34$$

