

Useful information : for silicon,  $\mu_n = 1350 \text{ cm}^2/\text{V-s}$  and  $\mu_p = 480 \text{ cm}^2/\text{V-s}$ .  
 $n_i = 1.5 \times 10^{10} \text{ cm}^{-3}$ .  $V_T = 0.026 \text{ V}$  at 300K.

Use the linearized diode model with  $r_f = 0 \text{ ohm}$  unless otherwise mentioned.

Q1 a) Consider n-type GaAs at  $T = 300 \text{ K}$  doped to a concentration of  $N_d = 5 \times 10^{15} \text{ cm}^{-3}$ . Assume mobility values of  $\mu_n = 6800 \text{ cm}^2/\text{V-s}$  and  $\mu_p = 300 \text{ cm}^2/\text{V-s}$ . Determine the conductivity of the material.

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~~(A)  $\sigma = n \mu_n + p \mu_p$~~   
 ~~$\sigma = 5 \times 10^{15} \times 6800 + 1.6 \times 10^{19} \times 300$~~   
 ~~$\sigma = 3.4 \times 10^{19} \text{ (A/cm)}$~~

$$p_i = \frac{(n_i)^2}{N_d} \Rightarrow 45000 \text{ cm}^{-3}$$

$$\sigma = (n \mu_n + p \mu_p) e$$

$$\sigma = (1.6 \times 10^{-19}) \times ((5 \times 10^{15} \times 1350) + (45000 \times 480))$$

$$\sigma = 1.08 \text{ (}\Omega\text{-cm)}^{-1}$$

Determine the applied electric field that induces a drift current density of  $175 \text{ A/cm}^2$ .

$$J = \sigma E$$

$$E = \frac{J}{\sigma} = \frac{175}{1.08} = 162.03$$

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b) A silicon pn junction at  $T = 300 \text{ K}$  is doped with  $N_d = 10^{16} \text{ cm}^{-3}$  and  $N_a = 10^{15} \text{ cm}^{-3}$ . The junction capacitance is to be  $0.8 \text{ pF}$  when a reverse bias voltage of  $13 \text{ V}$  is applied. Find the zero-biased junction capacitance.

$$N_d = 10^{16}, N_a = 10^{15}, e_j = 0.8, V_R = 13$$

$$C_j = \frac{C_{j0}}{\sqrt{1 + \frac{V_R}{V_{bi}}}}$$

$$V_{bi} = 0.026 \ln \left( \frac{10^{15} \times 10^{16}}{(1.5 \times 10^{10})^2} \right)$$

$$V_{bi} = 0.637$$

$$C_{j0} = C_j \times \sqrt{1 + \frac{V_R}{V_{bi}}} \Rightarrow$$

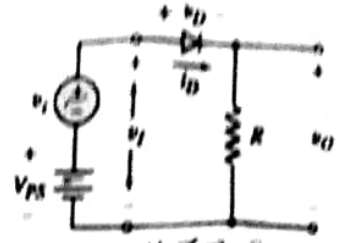
$$C_{j0} = 0.8 \times \sqrt{1 + \frac{13}{0.637}}$$

$$C_{j0} = 3.7015 \text{ pF}$$

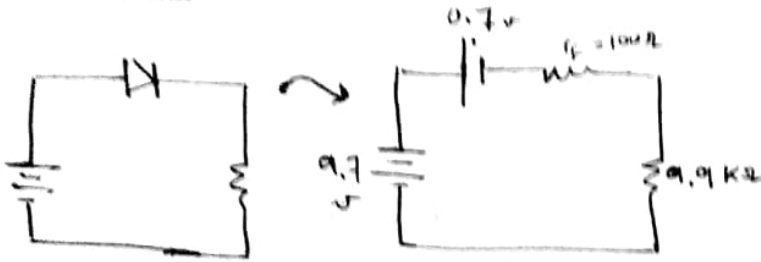
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Q3 a) The circuit and diode parameters for the circuit shown are  $V_{PS} = 9.7 \text{ V}$ ,  $R = 9.9 \text{ K ohm}$ ,  $V_\gamma = 0.7 \text{ V}$ ,  $r_f = 100 \text{ ohm}$  and  $v_f = 0.2 \sin \omega t \text{ V}$ .

Calculate the time-varying diode current and voltage.



DC Analysis



$$I_D = I_{DQ} + i_D$$

$$v_D = v_{DQ} + v_D$$

$$I_{DQ} \rightarrow -9.7 + 0.7 + 100 I_{DQ} + 9.9 \times 10^3 I_{DQ} = 0$$

$$9 = 10000 I_{DQ}$$

$$I_{DQ} = 9 \times 10^{-4} \text{ A}$$

AC Analysis



$$v_{DQ} = 0.5062 \ln\left(\frac{9 \times 10^{-4}}{I_S}\right)$$

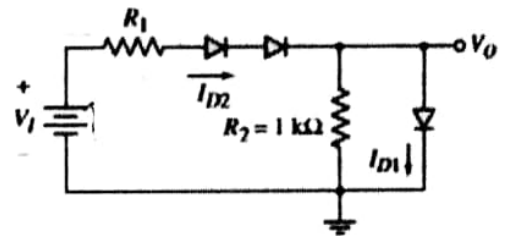
$$r_d = \frac{0.026}{I_{DQ}} = \frac{0.026}{9 \times 10^{-4}} = 28.88 \Omega$$

$$v_d = 28.88 i_d$$

$$i_d = \frac{I_{DQ} v_d}{0.026}$$

$$v_d = \frac{0.026}{I_{DQ}} i_d$$

b) Assume each diode in the circuit shown has a cut-in voltage of  $V_\gamma = 0.7 \text{ V}$ ,  $r_f = 50 \text{ ohm}$  and  $V_i = 6.1 \text{ V}$ . Determine the value of  $R_1$  required such that  $I_{D1}$  is one-half the value of  $I_{D2}$ .



$$I_{D1} = \frac{1}{2} I_{D2}$$

$$I_{D1} = 1.5 I_{D2}$$

$$0 - 6.1 = R_1 I_{D2} + 0.7 + 100 I_{D2} + 1 \times 10^3 (I_{D2} - I_{D1})$$

$$0 = 0.7 + 50 I_{D1} + 1 \times 10^3 (I_{D1} - I_{D2}) \quad \text{--- (2)}$$

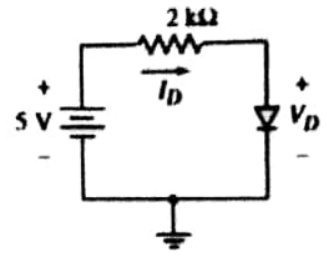
$$0.7 = I_{D2} (R_1 + 100 + 1 \times 10^3 - 1500) \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

$$-0.7 = 75 I_{D2} + 1500 I_{D2} - 1 \times 10^3 I_{D2}$$

$$I_{D2} = -2.718 \downarrow = 2.718 \uparrow$$

$$R_1 = 401.729 \Omega$$

Q2 a) Consider the following circuit, where  $I_s = 10^{-12}$  A. Determine  $V_D$ , and  $I_D$ , using the diode equation and the trial and error method.



$$I_D = I_s \left( e^{\frac{V_D}{0.026}} - 1 \right)$$

$$-5 + 2I_D + V_D = 0$$

$$5 = 2I_D + V_D$$

$$5 = 2 \left( I_s \left( e^{\frac{V_D}{0.026}} - 1 \right) \right) + V_D$$

$$5 = 2 \times 10^{-12} \left( e^{\frac{V_D}{0.026}} - 1 \right) + V_D$$

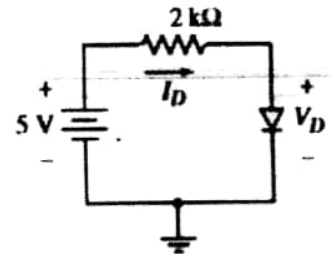
$$V_D = 0.738 \text{ V}$$

$$I_D = 2.131 \text{ A}$$

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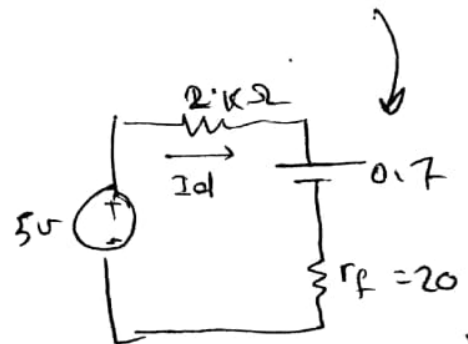
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b) Consider the circuit shown. Assume  $V_\gamma = 0.7$  V,  $r_f = 20$  ohm, and  $I_D = 1.2$  mA. Use the piecewise linear model to calculate the voltage drop on the 2 K ohm resistor.  $V_R = ?$



$$I_D = 1.2$$

$$V = I_D R = 1.2 \times 10^{-3} (2 \times 10^3) = 2.400 \text{ V}$$

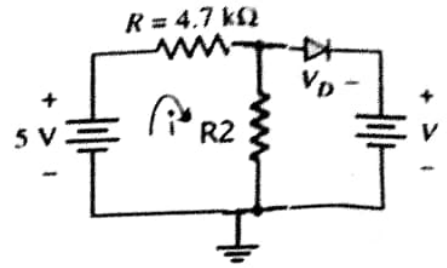


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What is the power dissipated in the diode?

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Q4 Consider the circuit shown, where  $V_D = 0.7\text{ V}$ ,  $r_f = 50\text{ ohm}$  and  $R_2 = 2\text{ K ohm}$ .



i) Find the supply voltage  $V$  such that the diode current is  $0.2\text{ mA}$ .

$$I_D = 0.2\text{ mA}$$

$$5 = i(4.7 \times 10^3 + 2 \times 10^3) \quad \text{with } i = 7.76$$

~~$$2 \times 10^3 \times I_D + V_D + V = 0$$~~

$$(0.7 + (50 \times I_D))$$

~~$$0.4 + 0.7 + 0.01 + V = 0$$~~

$$-1.11 = V$$

ii) Calculate the current in the  $R_2$  resistance when  $V = 2\text{ V}$ .

~~$$(2 \times 10^3 \times I_D) + 0.7 + (50 \times I_D) + 2 = 0$$~~

~~$$I_D = -1.31707\text{ A}$$~~