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Third year: Lecture 2:

## Diode Equivalence Circuits:

LOAD-LINE ANALYSIS: The applied load will normally have an important impact on the point or region of operation of a device. If the analysis is performed in a graphical manner, a line can be drawn on the characteristics of the device that represents the applied load. The intersection of the load line with the characteristics will determine the point of operation of the system. Such an analysis is, for obvious reasons, called load-line analysis


Fia (1) diode series configuration

(b)
(b) characteristic

Applying Kirchhoffes voltage law to the series circuit of Fig.1a will result in

$$
\text { On } \begin{aligned}
& E-V_{D}-V_{R}=0 \\
& E=V_{D}+I_{D} R
\end{aligned}
$$

If we set $\mathrm{VD}=0 \mathrm{~V}$ in Eq. (2.1) and solve for ID, we have the magnitude of ID on The vertical axis. Therefore, with VD $=0 \mathrm{~V}$, Eq. (2.1) becomes:

$$
\begin{aligned}
E & =V_{D}+I_{D} R \\
& =0 V V+I_{D} R
\end{aligned}
$$



Fig. 2
As shown in Fig. 2.2. If we set ID $=0 \mathrm{~A}$ in Eq. (2.1) and solve for VD, we have the Magnitude of VD on the horizontal axis. Therefore, with ID $=0 \mathrm{~A}$,

$$
\begin{aligned}
E & =V_{D}+I_{D} R \\
& =V_{D}+(0 A) R
\end{aligned}
$$

$$
V_{D}=\left.E\right|_{I_{D}=0-A}
$$

EX1: For the series diode configuration of Fig. 2.3a employing the diode characteristics of Fig. 3 determine: (a) VDQ and IDQ. (b) VR.



$$
\begin{aligned}
I_{D} & =\left.\frac{E}{R}\right|_{V_{D}=0 \mathrm{~V}}=\frac{10 \mathrm{~V}}{2 \mathrm{k} \Omega}=10 \mathrm{~mA} \\
V_{R} & =I_{R} R=I_{D_{O}} R=(9.25 \mathrm{~mA})(1 \mathrm{k} \Omega)=9.25 \mathrm{~V} \\
V_{R} & =E-V_{D}=10 \mathrm{~V}-0.78 \mathrm{~V}=9.22 \mathrm{~V}
\end{aligned}
$$

## SERIES DIODE CONFIGURATIONS WITH DC INPUTS

In general, a diode is in the on state if the current established by the applied sources is such that its direction matches that of the arrow in the diode symbol, and $\mathrm{VD} \geq 0.7 \mathrm{~V}$ for silicon and $\mathrm{VD} \geq 0.3 \mathrm{~V}$ for germanium

(a)Series diode configuration

$$
V_{R}=E-V D
$$

$$
I_{D}=I_{R L}=\frac{V_{R}}{\mathbb{R}}
$$


(b) Reversing diode of diode


The diode is in the "off" state, resulting in the equivalent circuit due to the open circuit, the diode current is 0 A and the voltage across the resistor R is the following:

Example2: for series diode configurations of fig below determine VD.VR and ID.
sol:

$$
\begin{aligned}
& V_{D}=0.7 \mathrm{~V} \\
& V_{R}=E-V_{D}=8 \mathrm{~V}-0.7 \mathrm{~V}=7.3 \mathrm{~V} \\
& I_{D}=I_{R}=\frac{V_{R}}{R}=\frac{7.3 \mathrm{~V}}{2.2 \mathrm{k} \Omega} \cong 3.32 \mathrm{~mA}
\end{aligned}
$$



Example3: determine ID.VD, $\mathrm{V}_{0}$ for circuit below sol:

and

$$
\begin{gathered}
V_{o}=I_{R} R=I_{D} R=(O \mathrm{~A}) R=0 \mathrm{~V} \\
V_{D_{2}}=V_{\text {open circuit }}=E=12 \mathrm{~V}
\end{gathered}
$$

Applying Kirchhoff's voltage law in a clockwise direction gives us

$$
E-V_{D_{1}}-V_{D_{2}}-V_{o}=0
$$

and

$$
\begin{aligned}
V_{D_{1}} & =E-V_{D_{1}}-V_{o}=12 \mathrm{~V}-0-0 \\
& =12 \mathrm{~V}
\end{aligned}
$$

with

$$
V_{o}=\mathbf{0} \mathrm{V}
$$

Example4: Determine I, V1, V2 and VO for the circuit of fig sol:


$$
\begin{aligned}
& I=\frac{E_{1}+E_{2}-V_{D}}{R_{1}+R_{2}}=\frac{10 \mathrm{~V}+5 \mathrm{~V}-0.7 \mathrm{~V}}{4.7 \mathrm{~K} \Omega+2.2 \mathrm{k} \Omega}=\frac{14.3 \mathrm{~V}}{6.9 \mathrm{k} \Omega} \\
& \cong 2.072 \mathrm{~mA}
\end{aligned}
$$

and the volages are

$$
\begin{aligned}
& V_{1}=I R_{1}=(2.072 \mathrm{~mA})(4.7 \mathrm{k} \Omega)-9.74 \mathrm{~V} \\
& V_{2}=I R_{2}=(2.072 \mathrm{~mA})(2.2 \mathrm{k} \Omega)=4.56 \mathrm{~V}
\end{aligned}
$$

Applying Kirchhoff's voltage law to the output section in the clockwise direction will result in
and

$$
\begin{gathered}
-E_{2}+V_{2}-V_{0}=0 \\
V_{0}=V_{2}-E_{2}=4.56 \mathrm{~V}-5 \mathrm{~V}=-0.44 \mathrm{~V}
\end{gathered}
$$

## Parallel and series-parallel configurations:

Example 5: Determine I 1, ID1, ID2 and VO for the circuit of fig:



Solution:

$$
V_{o}=0.7 \mathrm{~V}
$$

The current

$$
I_{1}=\frac{V_{R}}{R}=\frac{E-V_{D}}{R}=\frac{10 \mathrm{~V}-0.7 \mathrm{~V}}{0.33 \mathrm{k} \Omega}=\mathbf{2 8 . 1 8} \mathrm{mA}
$$

Assuming diodes of similar characteristics, we have

$$
I_{D_{1}}=I_{D_{1}}=\frac{I_{1}}{2}=\frac{28.18 \mathrm{~mA}}{2}=14.09 \mathrm{~mA}
$$

Example 6: Determine the current I for the network of fig below


Solution:

$$
I=\frac{E_{1}-E_{2}-V_{D}}{N}=\frac{20 V-4 \mathrm{~V}-107 \mathrm{~V}}{2.2 \mathrm{k} \Omega} \equiv 6.95 \mathrm{~mA}
$$



## Diode switching circuit

Diode switching circuits typically contain two or more diodes, each of which is connected to an
independent voltage source. Understanding the operation of a diode switching circuit depends
on determining which diodes, if any, are forward biased and which, if any, are reverse biased.
The key to this determination is remembering that is a diode is forward biased only if its anode is positive with respect to it's cathode


One of the very import applications of diode switching circuits is diode logic circuits AND/OR

## Gates.

OR gate: is such that the output voltage level will be a 1 if either or both input is a 1 . The
10 V level is assigned a 1 for Boolean algebra while the 0 V input is assigned a 0

Example 7: Determine Vo for the network in fig
(1)


D1 is in the on state due to the applied voltage (10V) while D2 is in the off state
. $\mathrm{Vo}=\mathrm{E}-\mathrm{VD}=10 \mathrm{v}-0.7=9.3 \mathrm{v}$
$=(E-V D) / R=(10-0.7) / 1 K \Omega=9.3 \mathrm{~mA}$
The output voltage level is not 10 V as defined for an input of 1 , but the 9.3 V is sufficiently at a
1 level with only one input.

| Input voltages |  |  |  | State of d odes |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | Output voltage

AND gate: is such that the output voltage level is will be 1 if both inputs are a 1.

Example 8: Determine the output level for the positive logic AND gate of fig below


With 10 v at the cathode D1, is assumed that D1 is in the off state.
D2 is assumed to be in the on state due to the low voltage at the cathode side and the
availability of the 10 v source through $1 \mathrm{~K} \Omega$ resistor.The voltage at Vo is 0.7 v due to forward biased diode D2

$$
I=\left(E-V_{0}\right) / R=(10-0.7) / 1 \mathrm{~K} \Omega=9.3 \mathrm{~mA}
$$

| Input voltages | State of diodes |  | Oltput voltage |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $V_{A}$ | $K_{B}$ | $D_{1}$ | $D_{2}$ | $I_{0}$ |
| 0 | 0 | on | on | 0 |
| 0 | 1 | on | of | 0 |
| 1 | 0 | off | on | 0 |
| 1 | 1 | off | off | 1 |

