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EECE 2412: HW 3 SolutionsFall  
2018Prob. 1

As stated on page 133 in the textbook, the diode voltage decreases approximately  $2 \text{ mV/K}$  with a temperature change

$$\hookrightarrow = 2 \text{ mV}/^{\circ}\text{C}$$

$$T_0 = 25^{\circ}\text{C}$$

$$T_1 = ?$$

$$V_0 = 0.65 \text{ V}$$

$$V_1 = 0.45 \text{ V}$$

$$V_1 - V_0 = -2 \frac{\text{mV}}{^{\circ}\text{C}} \cdot (T_1 - T_0)$$

$$\hookrightarrow T_1 = \frac{V_1 - V_0}{-2 \frac{\text{mV}}{^{\circ}\text{C}}} + T_0$$

$$T_1 = \frac{0.45 \text{ V} - 0.65 \text{ V}}{-0.002 \frac{\text{V}}{^{\circ}\text{C}}} + 25^{\circ}\text{C}$$

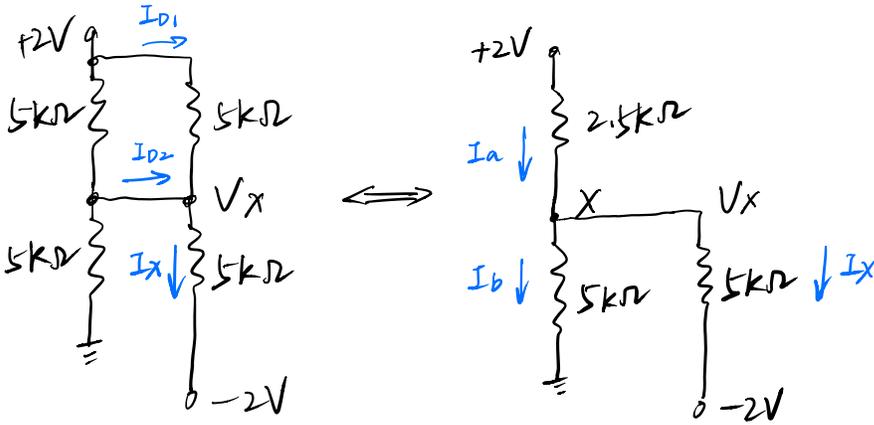
$$T_1 = 125^{\circ}\text{C}$$

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**Problem (2)**

FB: forward-biased  
RB: reverse-biased

(a) equivalent circuit (both  $D_1$  and  $D_2$  are on)



KCL at node X:

$$I_a = \frac{2 - V_x}{2.5k\Omega} = I_b + I_x = \frac{V_x}{5k\Omega} + \frac{V_x + 2}{5k\Omega}$$

$$V_x = 0.5V$$

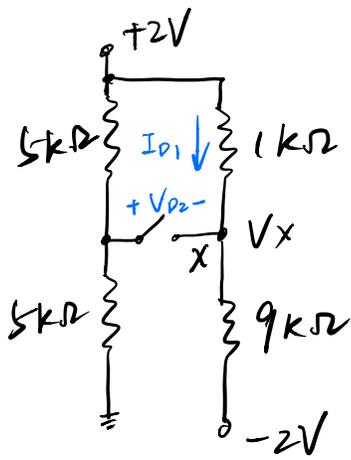
$$I_x = 500 \mu A$$

Checks

Diode 1:  $I_{D1} = \frac{2 - V_x}{5k\Omega} = 300 \mu A > 0$ , diode 1 is on. (FB)

Diode 2:  $I_{D2} = \frac{2 - V_x}{5k\Omega} - \frac{V_x}{5k\Omega} = 200 \mu A > 0$ , diode 2 is on. (FB)

(b) equivalent circuit ( $D_1$  on,  $D_2$  off)



$$I_x = \frac{V_x - (-2)}{9k\Omega}$$

$$V_x = \frac{2 - (-2)}{1k\Omega + 9k\Omega} \times 9k\Omega - (-2V)$$

$$V_x = 1.6V$$

$$I_x = 400 \mu A$$

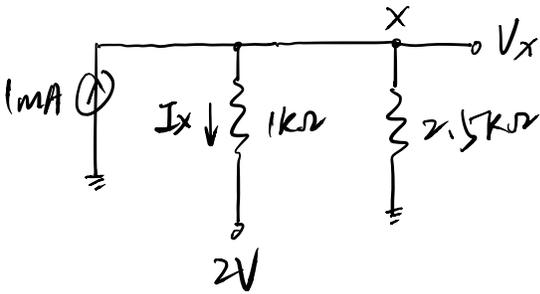
checks

Diode 1:  $I_{D1} = \frac{2 - V_x}{1k\Omega} = 400 \mu A > 0$ , diode 1 is on (FB)

Diode 2:  $V_{D2} = 2 \times \frac{1}{2} - V_x = -0.6V < 0$ , diode 2 is off (RB)

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(C) equivalent circuit (assume  $D_1$  is on):



KCL at node X:

$$\begin{aligned} 1\text{mA} &= I_x + \frac{V_x}{2.5\text{k}\Omega} \\ &= \frac{V_x - 2}{1\text{k}\Omega} + \frac{V_x}{2.5\text{k}\Omega} \\ V_x &= 2.143\text{V} \end{aligned}$$

$$I_x = \frac{V_x - 2}{1\text{k}\Omega}$$

$$\begin{aligned} V_x &= 2.143\text{V} \\ I_x &= 142.8\mu\text{A} \end{aligned}$$

checks Diode 1:  $I_{D1} = \frac{V_x - 2}{1\text{k}\Omega} = 143\mu\text{A} > 0$   
diode 1 is on (FB)

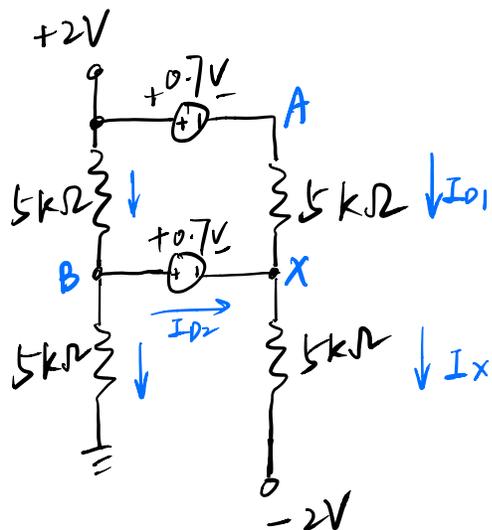
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# Problem (3)

FB: forward-biased

RB: reverse-biased

(a) equivalent circuit (both  $D_1$  and  $D_2$  are on)



$$V_A = 2 - 0.7 = 1.3V$$

$$V_X = V_B - 0.7$$

KCL at node B:

$$\frac{2 - V_B}{5k\Omega} = \frac{V_B}{5k\Omega} + I_{D2}, \quad (V_B = V_X + 0.7) \quad (1)$$

KCL at node X:

$$I_{D2} + \frac{V_A - V_X}{5k\Omega} = I_X, \quad (I_X = \frac{V_X + 2}{5k\Omega}) \quad (2)$$

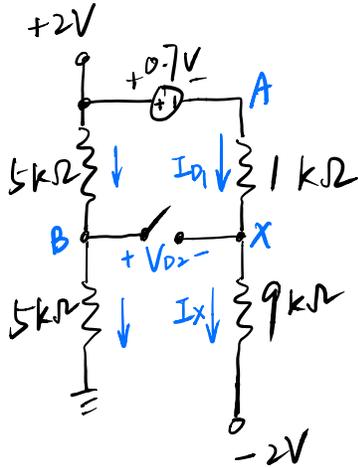
$$(1) \quad I_{D2} = \frac{2 - V_X - 0.7}{5k\Omega} - \frac{V_X + 0.7}{5k\Omega} \quad \xrightarrow{(1)=(2)} \quad \boxed{V_X = -25mV}$$

$$(2) \quad I_{D2} = \frac{V_X + 2}{5k\Omega} - \frac{V_A - V_X}{5k\Omega} \quad (I_X = \frac{V_X + 2}{5k\Omega}) \quad \boxed{I_X = 395\mu A}$$

Checks: Diode 1:  $I_{D1} = \frac{V_A - V_X}{5k\Omega} = 265\mu A > 0$ , diode 1 is on (FB)

Diode 2:  $I_{D2} = \frac{2 - V_B}{5k\Omega} - \frac{V_B}{5k\Omega} = 130\mu A > 0$ , diode 2 is on (FB)

(b) equivalent circuit ( $D_1$  on,  $D_2$  off)



$$V_A = 2 - 0.7 = 1.3V$$

$$V_B = 2 \times \frac{1}{2} = 1V$$

$$V_X = (V_A + 2) \cdot \frac{9k\Omega}{1 + 9k\Omega} - 2 = 0.97V$$

$$I_X = \frac{V_X + 2}{9k\Omega} = 330\mu A$$

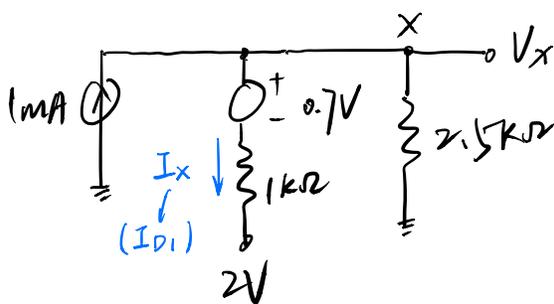
$$V_X = 0.97V$$

$$I_X = 330\mu A$$

Checks: Diode 1:  $I_{D1} = \frac{V_A - V_X}{1k\Omega} = 330\mu A > 0$ , diode 1 is on (FB)

Diode 2:  $V_{D2} = V_B - V_X = 2 \times \frac{1}{2} - 0.97 = 0.03V < 0.7V$   
diode 2 is off (RB)

(c) equivalent circuit (assume  $D_1$  is on):



KCL at node X:

$$1mA = \frac{V_X}{2.5k\Omega} + I_X$$

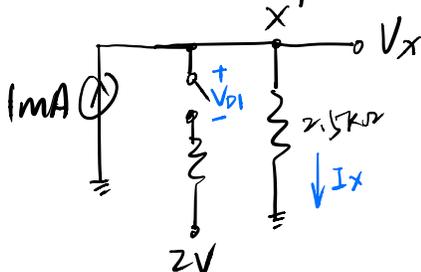
$$(I_X = \frac{V_X - 0.7}{1k\Omega})$$

$$V_X = 2.64V$$

checks  $I_{D1} = I_X = \frac{V_X - 0.7}{1k\Omega} = -30\mu A < 0$

when diode is on (FB),  $I_{D1}$  should always  $> 0$ , therefore assumption "diode 1 is on" is WRONG (Note: different from problem 2c)

Diode 1 is off (RB)



$$V_X = 1mA \times 2.5k\Omega = 2.5V$$

$$I_X = 1mA$$

$$V_X = 2.5V$$

checks

$V_{D1} = V_X - 2 = 0.5V < 0.7V$   
diode 1 is off (RB)

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Prob. 4

$$I_s = ?$$

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

$$V_D = 0.736 \text{ V}$$

$$n = 1$$

$$T = 50^\circ \text{C} = 323 \text{ K}$$

$$V_T = \frac{k \cdot T}{q} = \frac{(1.38 \times 10^{-23} \frac{\text{J}}{\text{K}}) \cdot (323 \text{ K})}{1.60 \times 10^{-19} \text{ C}}$$

$$V_T = 27.859 \text{ mV}$$

$$I_D = I_s \cdot \left[ e^{\left( \frac{V_D}{n \cdot V_T} \right)} - 1 \right]$$

$$\hookrightarrow I_s = \frac{I_D}{e^{\frac{V_D}{n \cdot V_T}} - 1}$$

$$I_s = \frac{2.5 \times 10^{-3} \text{ A}}{e^{\left( \frac{0.736 \text{ V}}{1 \cdot 27.859 \times 10^{-3} \text{ V}} \right)} - 1}$$

$$I_s = 8.401 \times 10^{-15} \text{ A} = 8.401 \text{ fA}$$

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**Problem 5**

$$V_D = V_{z0} + r_z \cdot I_z$$

$$9.1V = V_{z0} + 5\Omega \cdot (28 \times 10^{-3} A)$$

$$\hookrightarrow \boxed{V_{z0} = 8.96V}$$

with  $I_z = 10mA$ :

$$V_D = 8.96V + 5\Omega \cdot 10 \times 10^{-3} A = \boxed{9.01V = V_D(10mA)}$$

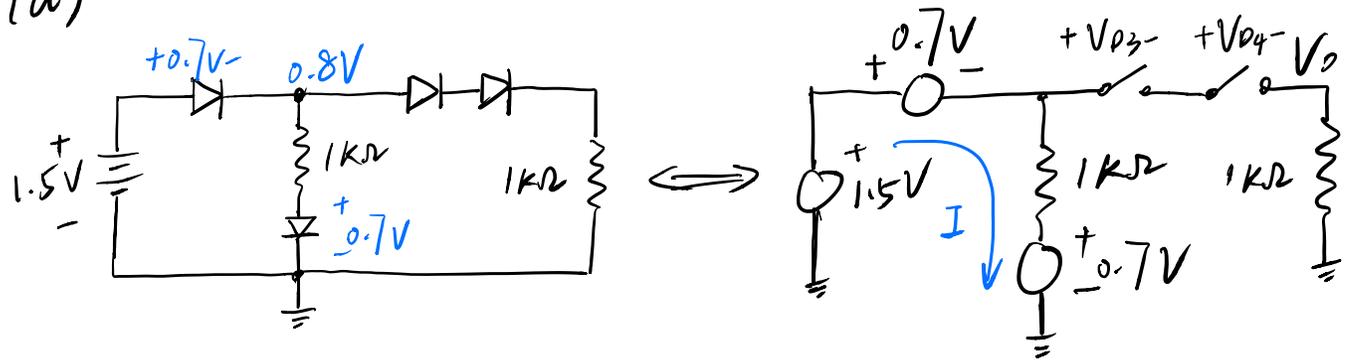
with  $I_z = 100mA$ :

$$V_D = 8.96V + 5\Omega \cdot 100 \times 10^{-3} A = \boxed{9.46V = V_D(100mA)}$$

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# Problem (b)

(a)



Output node is open circuit (no current).  $V_0 = 0V$

$$I = \frac{1.5 - 0.7}{1k\Omega} = 0.1mA = 100\mu A$$

checks

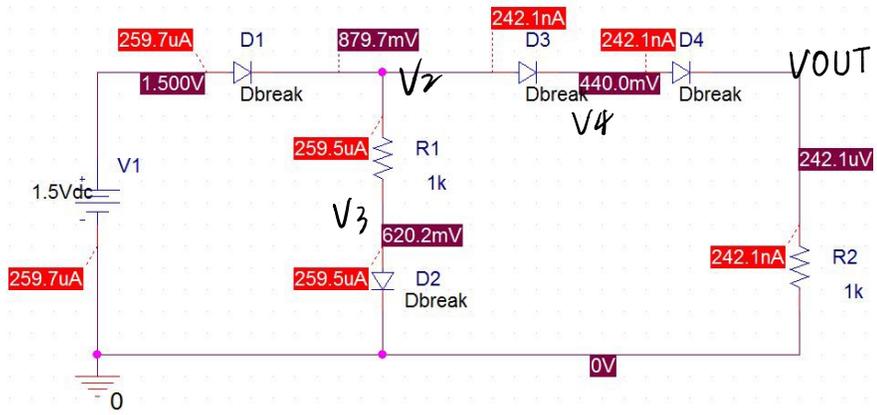
$$I_{D1} = I_{D2} = I = 100\mu A > 0$$

$D_1$  and  $D_2$  are forward biased (FB)

$$V_{D3} + V_{D4} = 0.8V < 1.4V$$

$D_3$  and  $D_4$  are reverse biased (RB)

(b) verification with  $V_1 = 1.5V$



- ✓ The on/off states of the diodes agree with the analytical results
- ✓ Note that the currents through diodes are different than the hand calculation results, due to the simplification of the CVD model with 0.7V forward-bias drop voltage which is lower with the simulation model.

9 (c) Transfer characteristics (voltage drop across diode is 620.3mV)

