

MECH 368 – ELECTRONICS FOR MECHANICAL ENGINEERS

ASSIGNMENT #2

(9.14, 9.22, 9.23, 9.33, 9.56, 9.61, 9.63) - F

Problem 9.14

Solution:

Known quantities:

The circuit of figure of P9.14.

Find:

The range of V_{in} for a forward-biased D_1 .

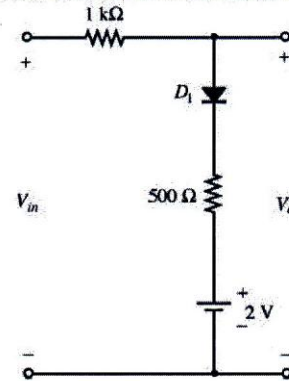
Analysis:

Assume diode D_1 is conducting; the diode current is

$$I = \frac{V_{in} - 2}{1500} \geq 0$$

Since the current is positive, the initial assumption was correct. Therefore, the range of V_{in} is: $V_{in} \geq 2V$.

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Problem 9.22

Solution:

Known quantities:

The circuit of Figure P9.22.

Find:

The range of V_{in} for which D_1 is forward biased

Assumptions:

The diodes are ideal.

Analysis:

If diode D_2 is conducting, the voltage at the node to the left of D_1 will be 5 V and D_1 will conduct. To ensure that D_2 is conducting, voltage V_{in} must be greater than 5 V.

Assume D_2 is cut off. D_1 will conduct as long as V_{in} is greater than zero. Thus, the value for D_1 to conduct is $V_{in} > 0$

Problem 9.23

Solution:

Known quantities:

The configurations of Figure P9.23.

Find:

Determine which diodes are forward-biased and which are reverse-biased. Determine the output voltage.

Assumptions:

The drop across each forward biased diode is 0.7 V.

Analysis:

a) D_2 and D_4 are forward biased; D_1 and D_3 are reverse biased.

$$v_{out} = -5 + 0.7 = -4.3 \text{ V}$$

b) D_1 and D_2 are reverse biased; D_3 is forward biased.

$$v_{out} = -10 + 0.7 = -9.3 \text{ V}$$

The figure corresponding to the question is wrong. The -10V supply should be $+10\text{V}$.

c) Correct Answer: D_2 is reverse biased; D_1 is forward biased.

$$v_{out} = -5 + 0.7 = -4.3 \text{ V}$$

Problem 9.33

Solution:

Known quantities:

The circuit of Figure P9.33. The input voltage is sinusoidal with an amplitude of 5 V.

Find:

The average value of the output voltage.

Assumptions:

$$V_\gamma = 0.7 \text{ V}.$$

Analysis:

The capacitor will charge to $5 \text{ V} - 0.7 \text{ V} = 4.3 \text{ V}$ and, therefore, the input sine wave will be shifted up 4.3 V to produce the output. As a result, after the cycle (the capacitor builds up its stored charge during the third quarter cycle), the average value of the output will be 4.3 V.

Problem 9.56

Solution:

Known quantities:

$$V_Z = 12 \text{ V} \pm 10\%, R_Z = 9 \Omega, I_{Z-\min} = 3.25 \text{ mA}, I_{Z-\max} = 80 \text{ mA}, V_S = 25 \pm 1.5 \text{ V},$$

$$I_L = 31.5 \pm 21.5 \text{ mA}.$$

Find:

Determine the maximum and minimum value of R to maintain the Zener diode current within its specified limits.

Analysis:

Construct DC equivalent circuit:

$$\text{KCL } \frac{V_L - V_S}{R} + I_Z + I_L = 0$$

$$\text{KVL } -V_Z - I_Z R_Z + V_L = 0$$

Then:

$$V_L = V_Z + I_Z R_Z$$

$$R = \frac{V_S - V_L}{I_Z + I_L} = \frac{V_S - V_Z - I_Z R_Z}{I_Z + I_L}$$

A maximum Zener current is caused by:

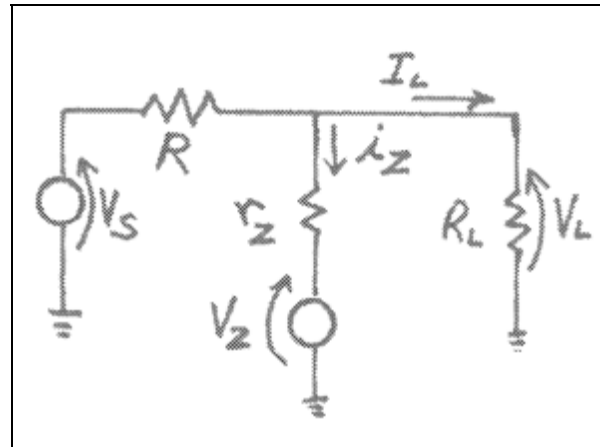
- Minimum value of R
- Maximum source voltage
- Minimum load current
- Minimum Zener voltage.

$$R_{\min} = \frac{V_{S-\max} - V_{Z-\min} - I_{Z-\max} R_Z}{I_{Z-\max} + I_{L-\min}} = 166.4 \Omega$$

A minimum Zener current is caused by:

- Maximum value of R
- Maximum load current
- Minimum source voltage
- Maximum Zener voltage.

$$R_{\max} = \frac{V_{S-\min} - V_{Z-\max} - I_{Z-\min} R_Z}{I_{Z-\min} + I_{L-\max}} = 182.6 \Omega$$



Problem 9.61

Solution:

Known quantities:

The voltage limiter circuit of Figure P9.61;

Find:

Plot V_L versus v_S .

Analysis:

Three cases need to be considered:

- (a) When $V_L > 10\text{ V}$, D_1 will conduct
- (b) When $V_L < -5\text{ V}$, D_4 will conduct
- (c) When $-5\text{ V} < V_L < 10\text{ V}$, all 4 diodes will be cut off.

For case (a), the circuit is shown on the right.

By KCL, $i_S = i_1 + i_L$, and

$$\frac{V_S - V_L}{10} = \frac{V_L - 10}{1} + \frac{V_L}{40}$$

$$\text{Therefore, } V_L = \frac{4V_S + 400}{45} \text{ V}$$

$$V_S > 12.5 \text{ V}$$

For case (b), the circuit is shown on the right.

By KCL, $i_S + i_2 = i_L$, and

$$\frac{V_S - V_L}{10} + \frac{-5 - V_L}{10} = \frac{V_L}{40}$$

$$\text{Therefore, } V_L = \frac{4V_S - 20}{9} \text{ V}$$

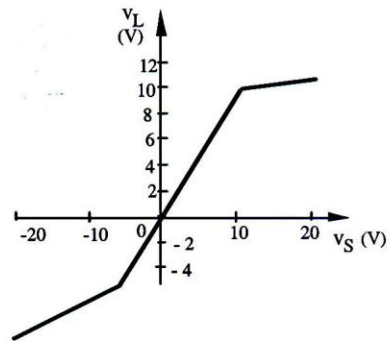
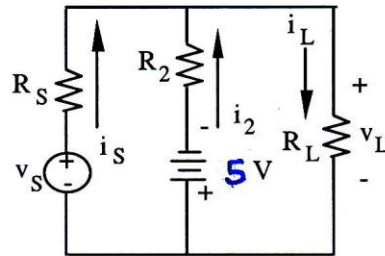
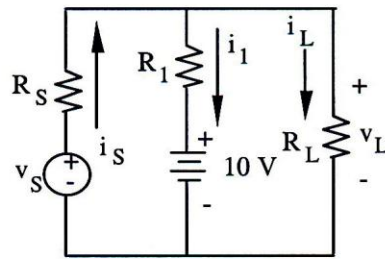
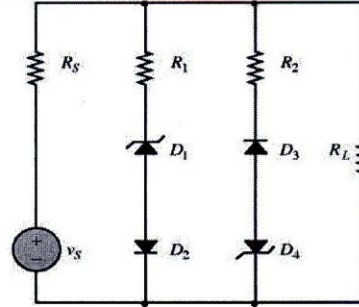
$$V_S > -6.25 \text{ V}$$

For case (c), we have $V_L = \frac{4}{5}V_S$ and

$$-6.25 \text{ V} < V_S < 12.5 \text{ V}$$

The v_L - v_S curve is shown on the right:

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Problem 9.63

Solution:

Known quantities:

The range for the input voltage $0 \leq v \leq 10 \text{ V}$ for the circuit of Figure P9.63.

Find:

Determine the i - v characteristic of the circuit.

Analysis:

With the variables defined in the circuit below, we can compute the following currents:

$$I_1 = \frac{v}{100}, I_2 = \frac{v}{100} \text{ for } v \geq 4 \text{ V}, I_3 = \frac{v}{100} \text{ for } v \geq 6 \text{ V}$$

For $0 \leq v \leq 4 \text{ V}$, $I = 0.01v$

For $4 \leq v \leq 6 \text{ V}$, $I = 0.02v - 0.04$

For $6 \leq v \leq 10 \text{ V}$, $I = 0.03v - 0.1$

The resulting i - v characteristic is shown below:

