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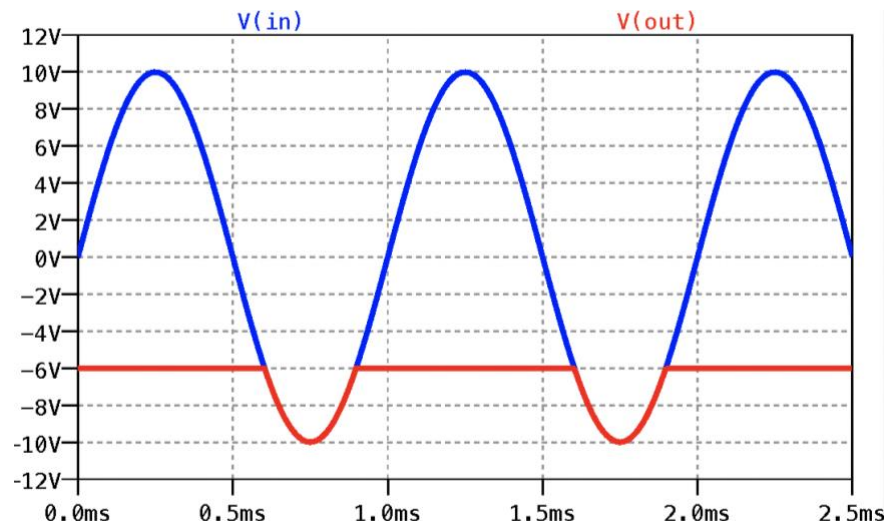
*Components and Circuits lab*

Midterm Exam1

You should submit your handwritten solutions in a PDF format to Gradescope on Friday, 4/16, by 1:50 pm (Pacific Time).

- a) Design a diode circuit that would generate the output waveform shown in the below graph when the input signal  $v_i = 10 \sin(\omega t)$  is applied to the circuit. On the graph,  $v_i(t)$  is drawn in blue color and  $v_o(t)$  is drawn in red color.

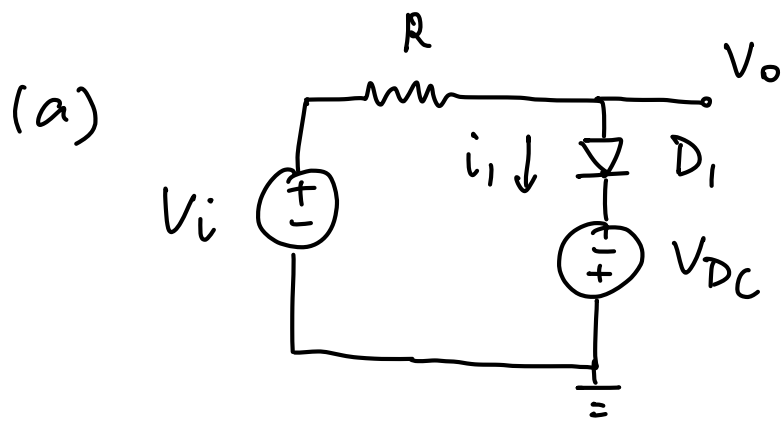
You can use regular PN junction diodes ( $V_{D0} = 0.7 \text{ V}$ ), Zener diodes (any desired  $V_Z$ ), and resistor(s) in your design. Make sure to label  $v_i$  and  $v_o$  on your circuit diagram.



- b) Parametrically solve your designed circuit to find the transfer function and draw the transfer function graph (find the relationship between  $v_o$  and  $v_i$  for different ranges of  $v_i$  and plot  $v_o$  vs  $v_i$  )

**Show your work.**

Solution:



$$\text{KVL: } V_i - i_1 R - V_{D1} + V_{DC} = 0.$$

$$i_1 = \frac{V_i - V_{D1} + V_{DC}}{R}$$

$V_o$  becomes constant when  $V_i \geq -6V$ , meaning  $D_1$  is on:

$$\begin{cases} i_1 = \frac{V_i - V_{D1} + V_{DC}}{R} \geq 0 \\ V_i \geq -6V \end{cases} \Rightarrow V_{DC} = 6.7V$$

(b). ①.  $D_1$  is on:  $V_{D1} = V_{D0}$ .  $i_1 \geq 0$

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$$i_1 = \frac{V_i - V_{D1} + V_{DC}}{R} \geq 0$$

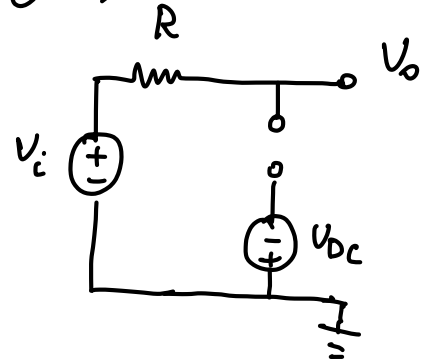
$$V_i \geq -6V, \quad V_o = V_{D1} - V_{DC} = -6V$$

②.  $D_1$  is off:  $i_1 = 0$   $V_{D1} \leq V_{D0}$

from KVL:  $V_{D1} = V_i - i_1 R + V_{Dc} = V_i + 6.7$

$V_{D1} \leq V_{D0} : V_i \leq -6 V.$

$V_o = V_i - i_1 R = V_i.$



transfer function:

