

CME 2203 Lab 4 Pre-lab

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Subject : Diodes

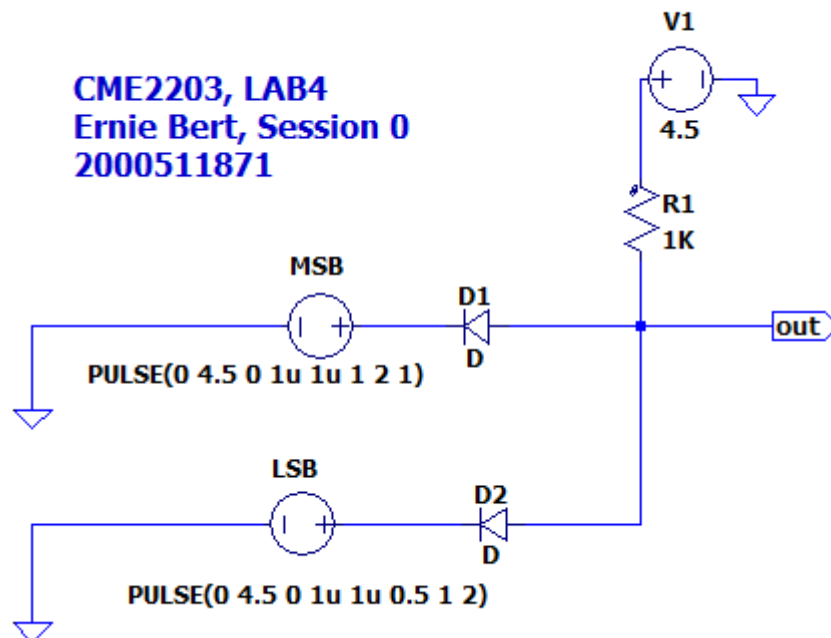
☞ Please read this document from start to finish carefully before starting your work.

☞ Prepare as a **PDF** including screenshot and simulation graph.

☞ Prelab must be prepared **INDIVIDUALLY** and uploaded to Sakai course page.

Draw the following circuit on LTSpice Schematics and save to a folder of your choice. Note that the screenshot we want is more than just the circuit; we want simulation graphs as well.

1. For your screenshot, top of the window should contain the graph plot panes, and the bottom of the window should contain:
 - a. The circuit diagram



- b. The text label
2. Create the circuit schematic shown above. Note that we use **square pulses** to create all combinations of MSB and LSB. You can see the parameter values below the logic input voltage sources MSB and LSB. You can make both MSB and LSB provide **pulses for 4 cycles**.

3. Adjust the component values as follows:

- a. For V1 we can just assign a DC value of +4.5V.
- b. We want MSB and LSB to act as a switch we open and close periodically, so we want it to produce a square wave voltage pattern.
- c. To achieve this, right click on LSB and click Advanced. Select PULSE. Enter the parameters as follows (letter **u** works for microsecond):


i.	V _{initial} (V)	:	0
ii.	V _{on} (V)	:	4.5
iii.	T _{delay} (s)	:	0
iv.	T _{rise} (μs)	:	1u
v.	T _{fall} (μs)	:	1u
vi.	T _{on} (s)	:	:0.5
vii.	T _{period} (s)	:	1
viii.	N _{cycles}	:	:2

This setting creates a square wave with a period of 1s, and because it's on(+4.5V) at only 0.5s, so its DUTY CYCLE is 50%. It lasts for 2 cycles, so for (cycle no)x(period T) = 2x1 = 2 seconds.

- d. Now, right click on MSB and click Advanced. Select PULSE. Enter the parameters as follows (letter **u** works for microsecond):

i.	V _{initial} (V)	:	0
ii.	V _{on} (V)	:	4.5
iii.	T _{delay} (s)	:	0
iv.	T _{rise} (μs)	:	1u
v.	T _{fall} (μs)	:	1u
vi.	T _{on} (s)	:	1
vii.	T _{period} (s)	:	2
viii.	N _{cycles}	:	1

This setting creates a square wave with a period of 2s. It lasts for only one cycle, so 1x2 = 2 s.

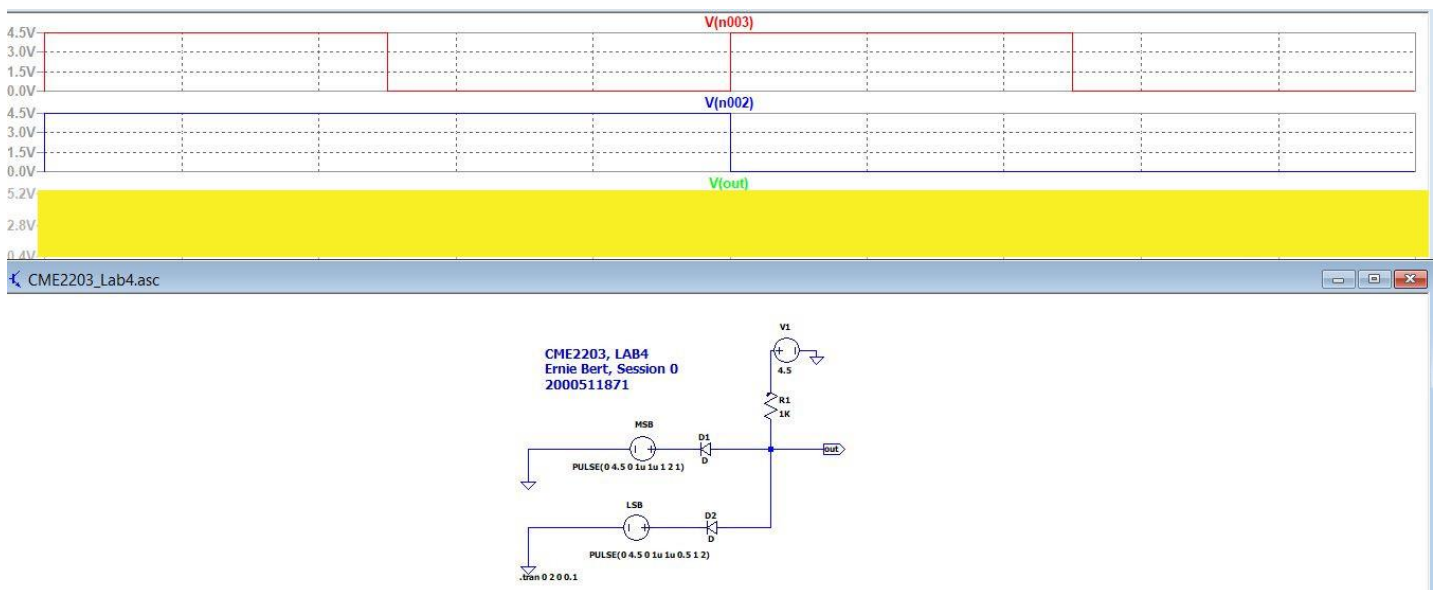
4. Now, we are ready to run the simulation! Click on the running human  and edit the simulation command (Remember, you can also change this command later by going to Simulate\Edit Simulation Command):

- a. Under the Transient tab, select the following parameters:
 - i. Stop Time : 2
 - ii. Time to Start Saving Data : 0
 - iii. Maximum Time Step : 0.1 and click OK.

This means you run the simulation from 0 to 2s. with time intervals of 100ms. Click the running human again. You should see an empty graph on top of the window now. Let's fill it with graphs!

- b. Now, move the cursor to the graph, right click and select Add Plot Pane.
Now you should have a total of three voltage plot panes. If not you should add more.
- c. Click on the top graph pane, then click the **red probe** appearing on the circuit to the wire connecting to positive side of LSB, to the left of diode. This is our first logic input.
- d. Click on the middle graph pane, then click the **red probe** appearing on the circuit to the wire connecting to positive side of MSB, to the left of diode. This is our second logic input.
- e. Click on the bottom graph pane, then click on the wire that connects to **Out** port. This is the logic output.

So your final screenshot should be like this (**Out** voltage is not shown)



Congratulations! You are all set! Add screenshots of your circuit design and simulation graph and answer following questions.

- 1 - How does this circuit work? Explain in detail.
- 2 - What are some possible disadvantages of using diodes as gates?