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1 Objective

The analysis of multiple electrical circuits containing ideal and non-ideal diodes.

2 Introduction

This paper has the purpose of describing how diodes work in electrical circuits using simulations and arithmetic.

2.1 Diodes

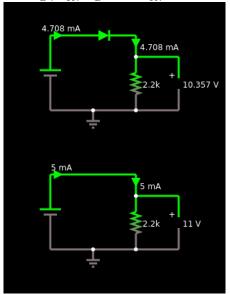
Diodes are simple 'check-valve' components for current, ideally it allows current to flow in one direction only. However, no diode is capable of limiting the flow of current completely, allowing for some small leakage current to flow against it, having noticeable effect upon the circuit as will be shown in the simulations.

These components have uses from power rectification, to signal processing in radios.

3 Development

3.1 First Circuit

Measure I_D , I_R , V_D and V_R , for E = 11V.



Simulation with a real (1N4004) and ideal diode.

The following arithmetic will consider only the ideal diode.

$$I_D = TotalCurrent = \frac{11}{2.2 \times 1000} = 0.005A$$
 (1)

$$V_D = DiodeVoltage = 0V (2)$$

$$I_R = ResistorCurrent = 0.005A$$
 (3)

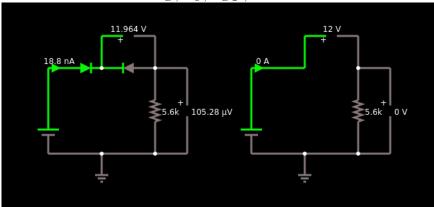
$$V_R = Resistor Voltage = 11V$$
 (4)

	Calculated	Simulated
I_D	0.005A	0.004708A
V_D	0V	0.643182V
I_R	0.005A	0.004708A
V_R	11V	10.357V

The table indicates that there is some resistance between the diode, as it has it's own voltage and the resistor is affected by it. That is caused by a voltage drop between its points, acting like a resistor.

3.2 Second Circuit

Measure I_D , V_O , V_{D2} , for E = 12V.



Simulation with two real (1N4004) and ideal (current direction known) diodes.

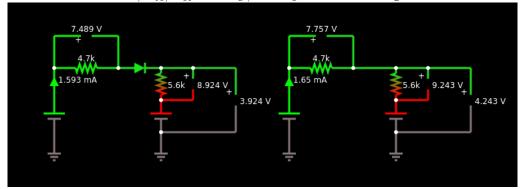
Ideally the circuit doesn't actually complete at any point due to the fact that the circuit opens at nodes that pass a current against the diode polarity, so there is no arithmetic to implement, only interpretation.

However due to the fact that in reality the diodes allow some *leakage* current, there is some, although small, current and voltage measurable in some nodes.

	Calculated	Simulated
I_D	0A	18.8nA
V_D2	12V	11.964V
V_O	0V	$105.20 \mu V$

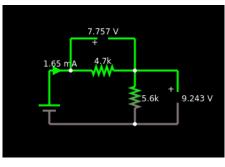
3.3 Third Circuit

Measure I, V_A , V_R and V_O , for $E_1 = 12V$ and $E_2 = -5V$.



Simulation with a real (1N4004) and ideal (current direction known) diode.

The ideal circuit can be further simplified to the following.



E = 17V

The parameters can be calculated simply by knowing the total current of the circuit, then extrapolating to the resistors.

$$I = \frac{17}{4.7k|5.6k} = \frac{17}{10.3 \times 1000} = 0.00165A \quad (5)$$

$$V_A = VoltageinTopResistor = (4.7 \times 1000) \times 0.00165 = 7.757V$$
 (6)

$$V_R = VoltageinBottomResistor = (5.6 \times 1000) \times 0.00165 = 9.24V \quad \ (7)$$

$$V_O = VoltageinForwardDiodeNode = -5V * V_R = 4.24V$$
 (8)

	Calculated	Simulated
I	0.00165A	0.00159A
V_A	7.757V	7.489V
V_R	9.24V	8.924V
V_O	4.24V	3.924V

The discrepancy between the ideal and real measurements are due to the previously mentioned effects of the $voltage\ drop$ of the diode.

4 Conclusion

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Anexo