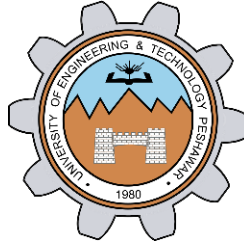


**LAB 03**  
**SERIES AND PARALLEL DIODES**



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## **OBJECTIVES:**

To study the characteristics of silicon diodes in series and in parallel.

## **EQUIPMENT:**

- DC power supply
- Function Generator
- Digital Multimeter (DMM)

## **COMPONENTS:**

- Diodes: Silicon (D1N4002)
- Resistor: 1.8 k $\Omega$ .

## **SERIES CONFIGURATION:**

Series connection means a side-by-side connection. When two components are connected in series, they have one common junction. The variation of voltage and current in a series connection is as follows:

- Potential difference across every component is different.
- The current across every component connected in series remains the same.

## **Diode Characteristics in Series Configuration**

When connected in series, we observe the following properties to hold true among the diodes:

- Resultant diode's forward voltage increases.
- Reverse blocking capabilities of diodes are increased in series connection.

## **PARALLEL CONFIGURATION:**

Parallel connection means the components are connected across each other, having two common points. Current differs across each component while voltage drop is same. When diodes are connected in parallel, this same trend is observed.

## **Diode Characteristics in Parallel Configuration**

- Current carrying capacity increases.
- No conduction in resultant diode in both sides.

## DIODE IN SERIES:

Construct the circuit of Fig.1.0 with the supply (E) is set at 5 V. Record the measured value of the resistor.

## PROCEDURE:

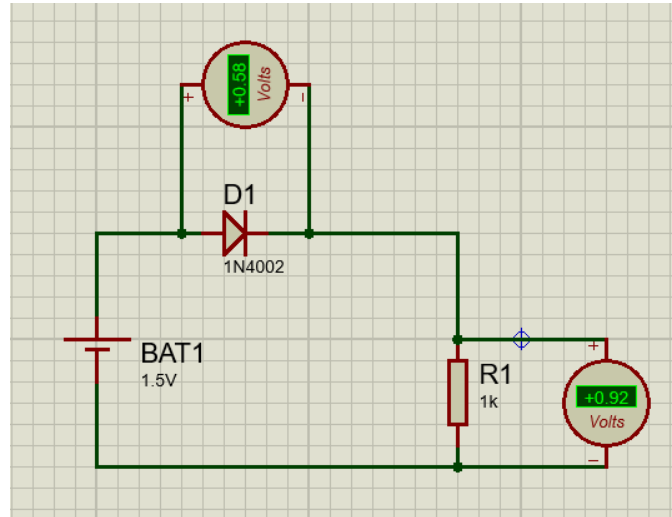


Figure 1: Diode series circuit

1. Construct the circuit as mention.
2. Measure the voltage across diode and resistor.
3. Calculate the current.

## RESULT:

Supplied Voltage = 5.22

Voltage  $V_D = 0.63V$

Resistance  $R = 1.76\text{ k}\Omega$

Voltage  $V_O = 5.22 - 0.63 = 4.59\text{ V}$

Current  $I_D = 2.60\text{ mA}$

## Measured:

Supplied Voltage = 5.22 V

Voltage  $V_D = 0.56V$

Resistance  $R = 1.76$

$\text{k}\Omega$  Voltage  $V_O = 4.67$

V Current  $I_D = 2.65$

mA

## 2 Diodes in series:

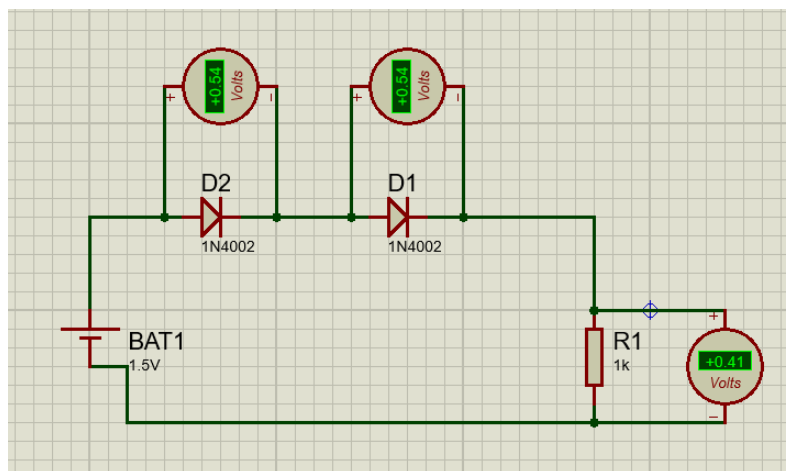


Figure 2:2 Diode in series

## Procedure

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1. Construct the circuit using two diodes and resistor in series.
2. Measure the voltage across two diodes and resistor.
3. Also calculate the current.

## Results:

Supplied Voltage = 5.22

Voltage  $V_{T1}$  = 0.63V

Voltage  $V_{T2}$  = 0.60V

Voltage  $V_D = V_{T1} + V_{T2} = 1.23V$

Resistance  $R = 1.76 \text{ k}\Omega$

Voltage  $V_O = 5.22 - 1.23 = 3.99 \text{ V}$

Current  $I_D = 2.62 \text{ mA}$

**Measured:**

Supplied Voltage = 5.22

Voltage  $V_D = 1.23 \text{ V}$

Resistance  $R = 1.76 \text{ k}\Omega$

Voltage  $V_O = 4.13 \text{ V}$

Current  $I_D = 2.34 \text{ mA}$

## Diodes in parallel.

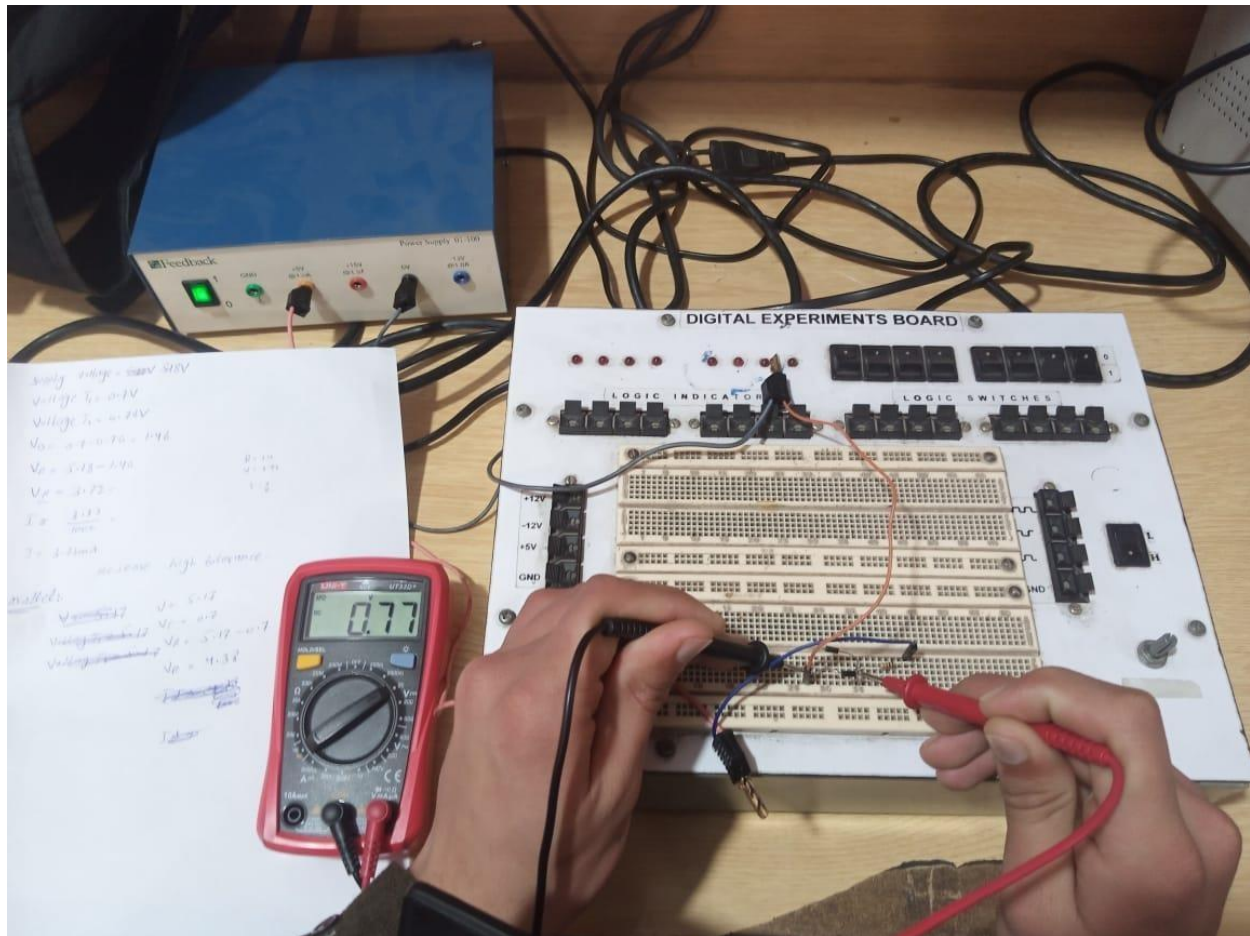


Figure 3: Parralel diode

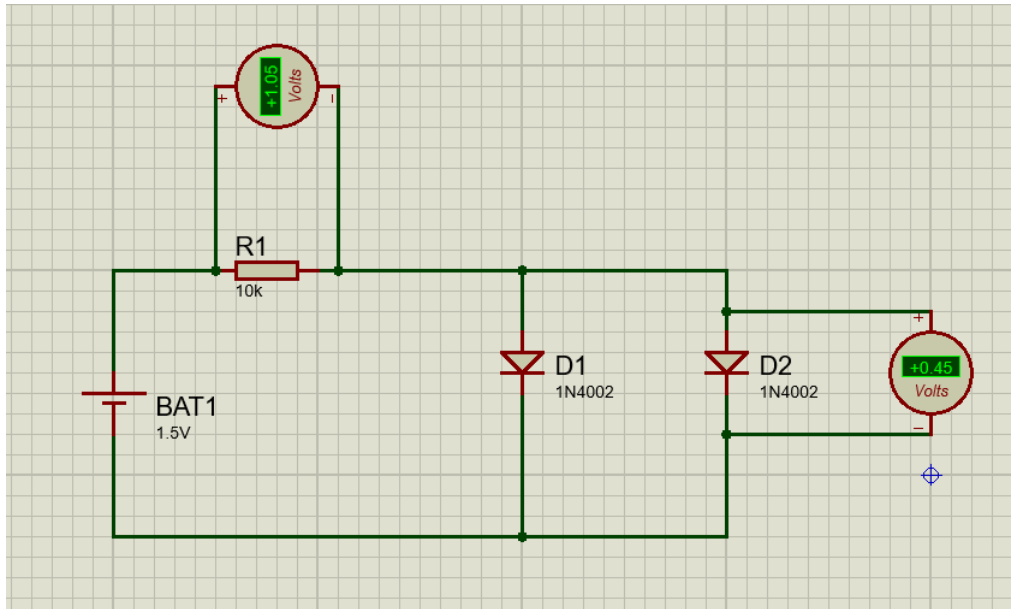


Figure 4: Diode in parallel

## Procedure

:

1. Construct the circuit using two diodes and resistor in series.
2. Measure the voltage across two diodes and resistor.
3. Also calculate the current.

## Results:

- Supplied Voltage = 5.22 V
- Voltage  $V_{T1}$  = 0.63V
- Voltage  $V_{T2}$  = 0.60V
- Voltage  $V = V_{T1} + V_{T2} = 1.23V$
- Resistance  $R = 1.76 \text{ k}\Omega$
- Voltage  $V_O = 0.60$
- Voltage  $V_R = 5.22 - 0.60 = 4.62$

## Measured:

- Voltage  $V_O = 0.53 \text{ V}$
- Voltage  $V_R = 4.70 \text{ V}$