

EECE 310 - Homework 2

Problem 1

$$a) \quad I_D = I_S \left(e^{\frac{V_D}{nV_T}} - 1 \right)$$

$$I_D = 0.33 \text{ mA}; \quad V_D = 0.777 \text{ V}; \quad n = 1.2$$

$$V_T = \frac{KT}{q} \quad \text{where} \quad K = 1.38 \times 10^{-23} \text{ J/K}$$
$$T = 37 + 273 = 310^\circ \text{ K}$$
$$q = 1.6 \times 10^{-19} \text{ C}$$

$$V_T = \frac{1.38 \times 10^{-23} \times 310}{1.6 \times 10^{-19}} = 26.74 \text{ mV}$$

$$I_S = \frac{I_D}{e^{\frac{V_D}{nV_T}} - 1} = \frac{0.33}{e^{\frac{0.777}{1.2 \times 0.02674}} - 1} = 1.005 \times 10^{-11} \text{ mA}$$

$$b) \quad I_D = I_S \left(e^{\frac{V_D}{nV_T}} - 1 \right) \approx I_S e^{\frac{V_D}{nV_T}} \quad (I_D \gg I_S)$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} I_{D1} = I_S \left(e^{\frac{V_{D1}}{nV_T}} \right) \\ I_{D2} = I_S \left(e^{\frac{V_{D2}}{nV_T}} \right) \end{array} \right.$$

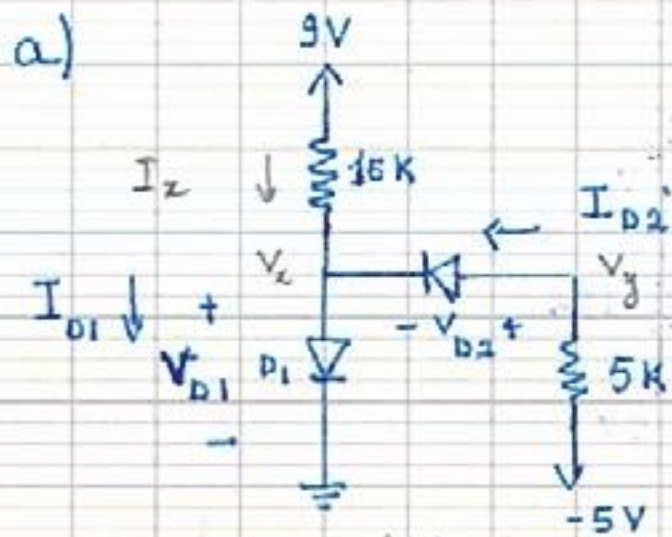
$$\frac{I_{D2}}{I_{D1}} = e^{\frac{1}{nV_T} (V_{D2} - V_{D1})}$$

$$\ln \left(\frac{I_{D2}}{I_{D1}} \right) = \frac{1}{nV_T} (V_{D2} - V_{D1})$$

$$V_{D2} - V_{D1} = nV_T \ln \left(\frac{I_{D2}}{I_{D1}} \right) = 1.2 \times 0.02674 \times \ln(1000)$$
$$= 0.22 \text{ V}$$

The change in diode voltage is 0.22 V.

Problem 2



Let's assume that D_1 is conducting (ON) and D_2 is not conducting (OFF).

Thus we have $\begin{cases} V_{D1} = 0V \\ I_{D2} = 0A \end{cases}$ and we have to get $\begin{cases} I_{D1} > 0 \\ V_{D2} < 0 \end{cases}$

Since $V_{D1} = 0V$, $V_x = 0V$.

$$I_x = \frac{9 - V_x}{15K} = \frac{9}{15K} = 0.6 \text{ mA}$$

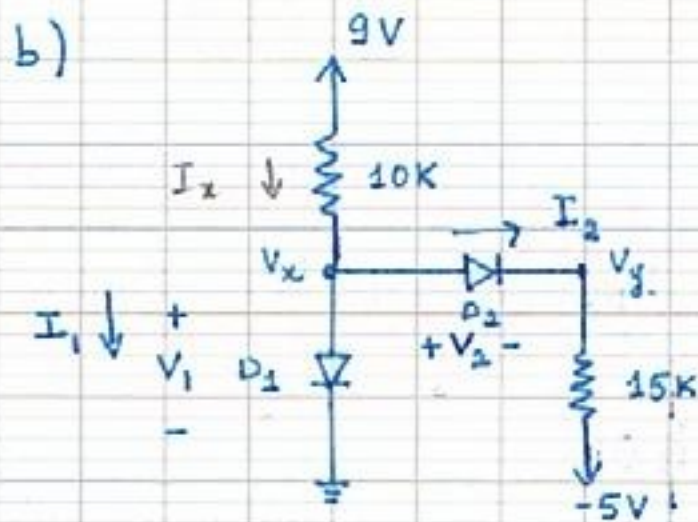
Since $I_{D2} = 0A$, $I_{D1} = I_x = 0.6 \text{ mA}$; ($I_{D1} > 0$)

$V_{\text{across } 5K \text{ resistor}} = 0V \Leftrightarrow V_y = -5V$, then $V_{D2} = V_y - V_x = -5V < 0$

The assumptions are correct,

$$D_1 : (0.6 \text{ mA}, 0V)$$

$$D_2 : (0A, -5V)$$



Let's assume that D_1 is ON and D_2 is ON
 Thus, we have $\begin{cases} V_1 = 0V \\ V_2 = 0V \end{cases}$ and we have $\begin{cases} I_1 > 0 \\ I_2 > 0 \end{cases}$ to get

Since $V_1 = 0V$; $V_x = 0V$

Since $V_2 = 0V$, $V_y = 0V$ (because $V_2 = V_x - V_y$)

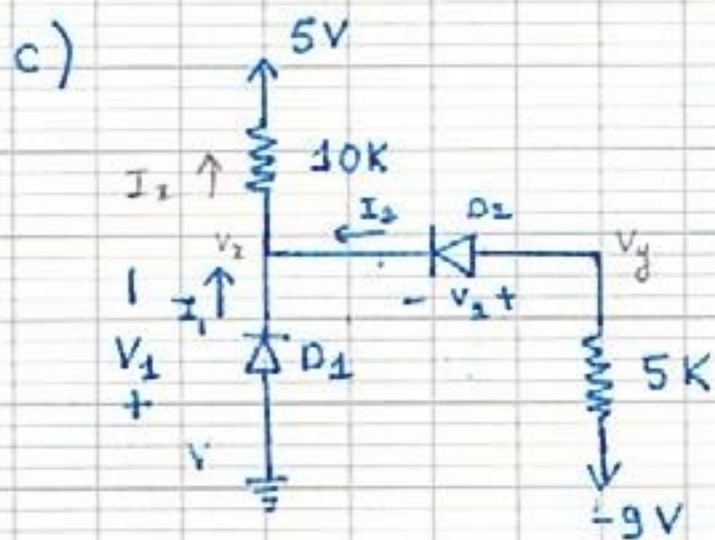
$$\text{Thus } I_2 = \frac{V_y - (-5)}{15K} = \frac{5}{15K} = \frac{1}{3} \text{ mA} = 0.33 \text{ mA } (I_2 > 0)$$

$$I_x = \frac{9 - V_x}{10K} = \frac{9}{10K} = 0.9 \text{ mA}$$

$$I_1 = I_x - I_2 = 0.9 - 0.33 = 0.57 \text{ mA } (I_1 > 0)$$

Thus D_1 is ON : (0.57 mA; 0V)

and D_2 is ON: (0.33 mA; 0V)



Let's assume that D_1 is OFF and D_2 is OFF.

We have: $\begin{cases} I_1 = 0A \\ I_2 = 0A \end{cases}$ and we have: $\begin{cases} V_{D1} < 0 \\ V_{D2} < 0 \end{cases}$ to get

Since $I_1 = 0A$ and $I_2 = 0A$, $I_x = I_1 + I_2 = 0A$.

Thus $V_{\text{across the } 10K \text{ resistor}} = 0V \rightarrow V_x = 5V$.

$$V_1 = 0 - V_x = -5V \quad (V_1 < 0)$$

$I_2 = 0A$, thus the voltage across the 5K resistor = 0V
 $\rightarrow V_y = -9V$.

$$V_2 = V_y - V_x = -9 - 5 = -14V \quad (V_2 < 0)$$

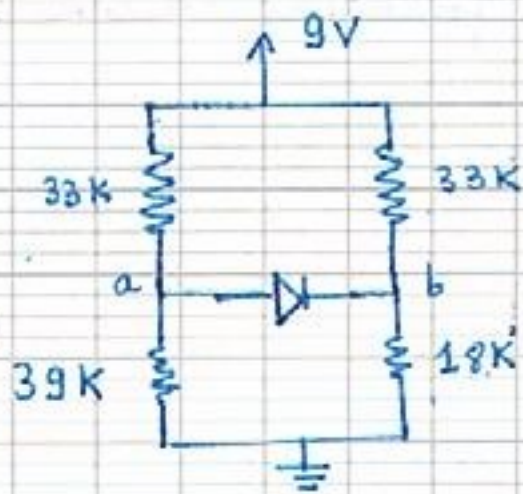
The two assumptions are correct

$$D_1: (0A, -5V)$$

$$D_2: (0A, -14V)$$

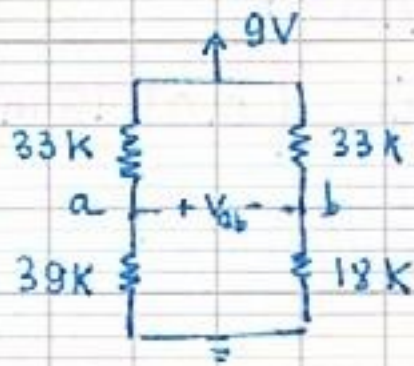
Problem 3

a)



To calculate the operating point of the diode, we must find V_{th} and R_{th} across the diode.

V_{th} : We open the circuit between the terminals a and b and we calculate V_{ab} .

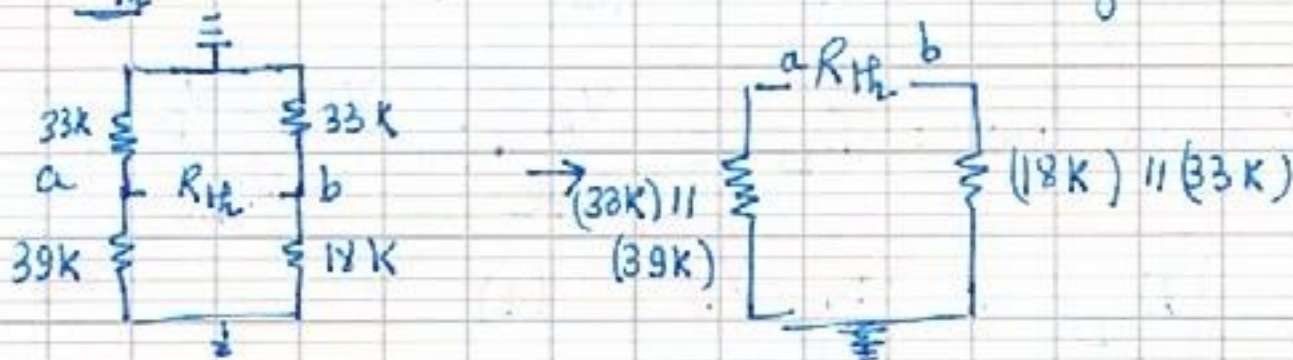


$$V_a = \frac{39K}{39K+33K} \times 9 = 4.875 V$$

$$V_b = \frac{18K}{18K+33K} \times 9 = \frac{54}{17} V$$

$$V_{th} = V_{ab} = V_a - V_b = 4.875 - \frac{54}{17} = \frac{231}{136} V$$

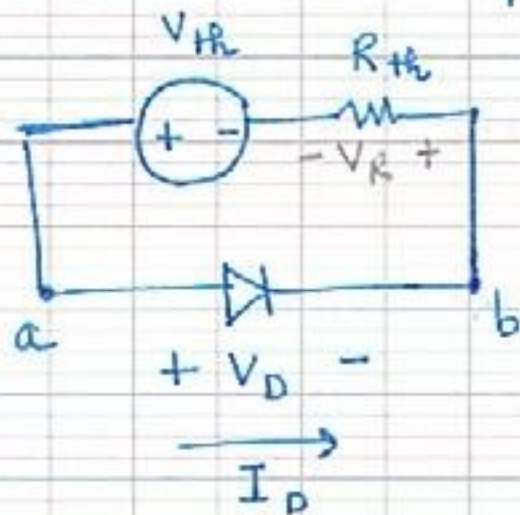
R_{th} We short circuit the voltage source.



$$R_{th} = (33K) \parallel (39K) + (18K) \parallel (33K)$$

$$= \frac{4015}{136} K\Omega$$

We obtain the following circuit:



Assume D is ON $\rightarrow V_D = 0V$ we have to get $I_D > 0$.

$$V_{TH} = V_D + V_R \quad \text{thus } V_R = V_{TH}$$

$$I_D = \frac{V_R}{R_{TH}} = \frac{V_{TH}}{R_{TH}} = \frac{231/136}{(4015/136)K} = 0.0575 \text{ mA } (I_D > 0)$$

Hence the operating point is $(0.0575 \text{ mA}, 0V)$.

b)

i. Iterative method

Using KVL: $V_{TH} = V_D + V_R$

$$V_R = V_{TH} - V_D$$

Ohm's law: $I_D = \frac{V_R}{R_{TH}} = \frac{V_{TH} - V_D}{R_{TH}}$

$$I_D = \frac{V_{TH} - V_D}{R_{TH}} \quad (1)$$

Getting V_D :

$$I_D = I_S \left(e^{\frac{V_D}{nV_T}} - 1 \right)$$

$$e^{\frac{V_D}{nV_T}} = \frac{I_D}{I_S} + 1$$

$$\boxed{V_D = nV_T \ln \left(\frac{I_D}{I_S} + 1 \right)} \quad (2)$$

Replacing ^{V_D with above} the expression of ~~V_D~~ in (1):

$$I_D = \frac{V_{Th} - nV_T \ln \left(\frac{I_D}{I_S} + 1 \right)}{R_{Th}}$$

$$V_{Th} = \frac{231}{136} \text{ V}; \quad R_{Th} = \frac{4015}{136} \text{ k}\Omega; \quad n = 1.2;$$

$$I_S = 10^{-14} \text{ A}; \quad V_T = \frac{KT}{q} = \frac{1.38 \times 10^{-23} \times (27+273)}{1.6 \times 10^{-19}} = 0.026 \text{ V}.$$

$$I_D = \frac{231/136 - 1.2 \times 0.026 \times \ln \left(\frac{I_D}{10^{-14}} + 1 \right)}{4015/136}$$

$$I_D = 0.0575 - 1.0568 \times 10^{-3} \times \ln \left(\frac{I_D}{10^{-14}} + 1 \right)$$

Initial guess: $I_D = 0.0575 \text{ mA}$.

1st iteration: $I_D = 0.0575 - 1.0568 \times 10^{-3} \times \ln \left(\frac{0.0575 \times 10^{-3}}{10^{-14}} + 1 \right)$

$$I_D = 0.03375 \text{ mA}$$

2nd iteration: $I_D = 0.0575 - 1.0568 \times 10^{-3} \times \ln \left(\frac{0.03375 \times 10^{-3}}{10^{-14}} + 1 \right)$

$$I_D = 0.0343 \text{ mA}$$

3rd iteration: $I_D = 0.0575 - 1.0568 \times 10^{-3} \times \ln \left(\frac{0.0343 \times 10^{-3}}{10^{-14}} + 1 \right)$

$$= 0.0343 \text{ mA}$$

Thus $I_D = 0.0343 \text{ mA}$

$$V_D = V_{Th} - R_{Th} I_D$$
$$= \frac{231}{136} - \frac{4015}{136} \times 0.0343$$

$$\boxed{V_D = 0.686 \text{ V}}$$

Hence the operating point is $(0.0343 \text{ mA}, 0.686 \text{ V})$

ii. Load line method

$$\left\{ \begin{aligned} I_D &= \frac{V_{Th} - V_D}{R_{Th}} = 0.0575 - 0.0339 V_D \end{aligned} \right.$$

$$I_D = I_s \left(e^{\frac{V_D}{nV_T}} - 1 \right)$$

$$\left\{ \begin{aligned} I_D &= 10^{-11} \left(e^{\frac{V_D}{0.02512}} - 1 \right) \quad (\text{in mA}) \end{aligned} \right.$$

$$\left\{ \begin{aligned} I_D &= 0.0575 - 0.0339 V_D \quad (\text{in mA}) \end{aligned} \right.$$

We plot these two equations.



The intersection point is $P (0.68V, 0.34mA)$