$$i_D(t) = I_S(e^{\frac{V_D(t)}{\eta V_T}} - 1)$$

Is: Revers saturation current *Is*= 10^{-12} , 10^{-14} A

 η : eta

$$\eta = \begin{cases} 1 \text{ for } Ge \\ 2 \text{ for } Si \text{ (small current)} \\ 1 \text{ for } Si \text{ (large current)} \end{cases}$$



VT= Thermal Voltage

 $VT = \frac{T}{11600}$; T in kelvin

At Room Temp. T=300k

 \therefore VT = 25.69 mv at Room Temp.

The equation is a non linear equation
... The Diode is non linear Device

For positive $V_D(t)$

For negative $V_D(t)$ $i_D(t) = -I_S$

 $i_D(t) = I_S(e^{\frac{V_D(t)}{\eta V_T}})$

$$i_D(t) = I_S(e^{\frac{V_D(t)}{\eta V_T}} - 1)$$

Diode V-I Characteristic curve



Approaches to Diode Circuit Analysis

The rectifier diode is a non linear device .

There are essentially three basic approaches to the solution of such problem :

- 1- The use of non linear mathematics
- 2- The use of graphical techniques
- 3- The use of equivalent circuit (models)
 - Piece wise linear models

1)The use of non linear mathematic



Silicon: $\eta = 1.1$ $I_{S} = 10^{-14} \text{ A}$ **KVL**: $V_{S} = R_{S}I_{D} + V_{D}$ $I_{D} = I_{S}(e^{\frac{V_{D}}{\eta V_{T}}} - 1)$

Since the diode is forward biased , we could approximate $I_D = I_S(e^{\frac{V_D}{\eta V_T}})$

Solving for $V_D = \eta V_T \ln \frac{I_D}{I_S}$

:.We have two equations and two unknowns

$$V_S = R_S I_D + V_D \dots 1$$

$$V_D = \eta V_T \ln \frac{I_D}{I_S} \dots 2$$

$$\therefore \quad V_S = R_S I_D + \eta \, \mathrm{VT} \ln \frac{I_D}{I_S}$$

non linear equation

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Iterative Analysis

1) Let $V_D = 0.7v$

 $I_D = \frac{2 - 0.7}{0.1k} = 13 \text{ mA}$

- $V_D = 0.7882392$ The error is large
- 2) Let $V_D = 0.7882392v$ $I_D = 12.117608 \text{ mA}$

 $V_D = 0.7862529v$ The error is small

$$I_{\rm D} = \frac{V_S - V_D}{R_S}$$
$$V_{\rm D} = \eta \, V_{\rm T} \ln \frac{I_D}{I_S}$$

3) Let $V_D = 0.7862529v$

 $I_D = 12.137471 \text{ mA}$

 $V_D = 0.7862991$ v The error getting smaller

4) Let $V_D = 0.7862991v$ $I_D = 12.137009mA$

 $V_D = 0.786298066v$

 $I_{\rm D} = 12.137 \text{ mA}$ $V_D = 0.7863 \text{v}$



Drawing the two equations



$$I_D = -\frac{1}{R_S} V_D + \frac{V_S}{R_S}$$

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

• **Q** point = (I_{DQ}, V_{DQ}) = Quiescent point

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The effect of Rs on the Q point



$$I_D = -\frac{1}{R_S} V_D + \frac{V_S}{R_S}$$

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The effect of Vs on Q point



$$I_D = -\frac{1}{R_S} V_D + \frac{V_S}{R_S}$$

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