

Diode-Large-Signal- Applications Diode

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Clamping Circuits

Voltage Multipliers

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D_1 , D_2 are ideal

1) Assume D_1 on, and D_2 off

$$V_o(t) = 5 V$$

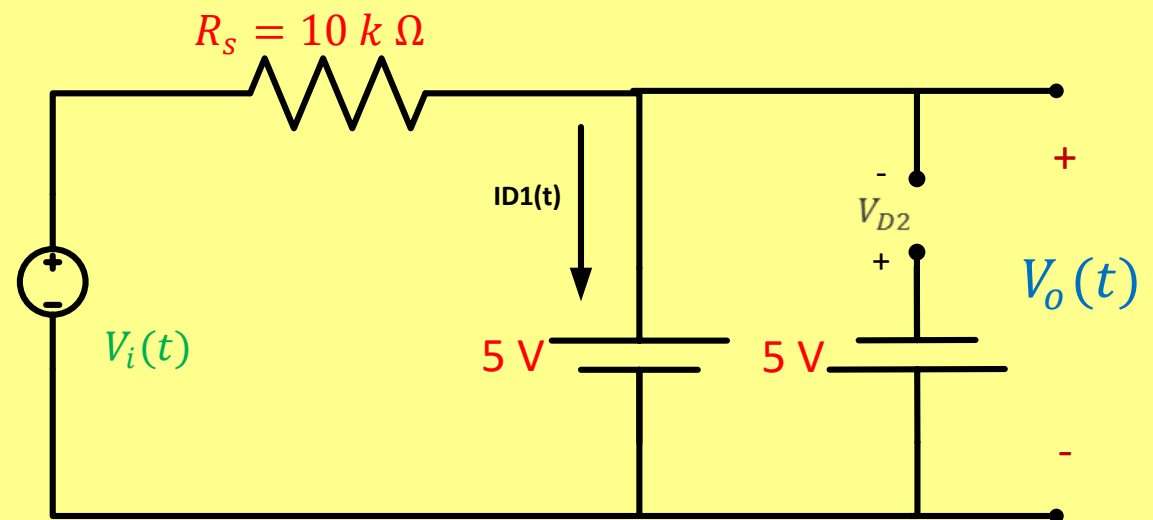
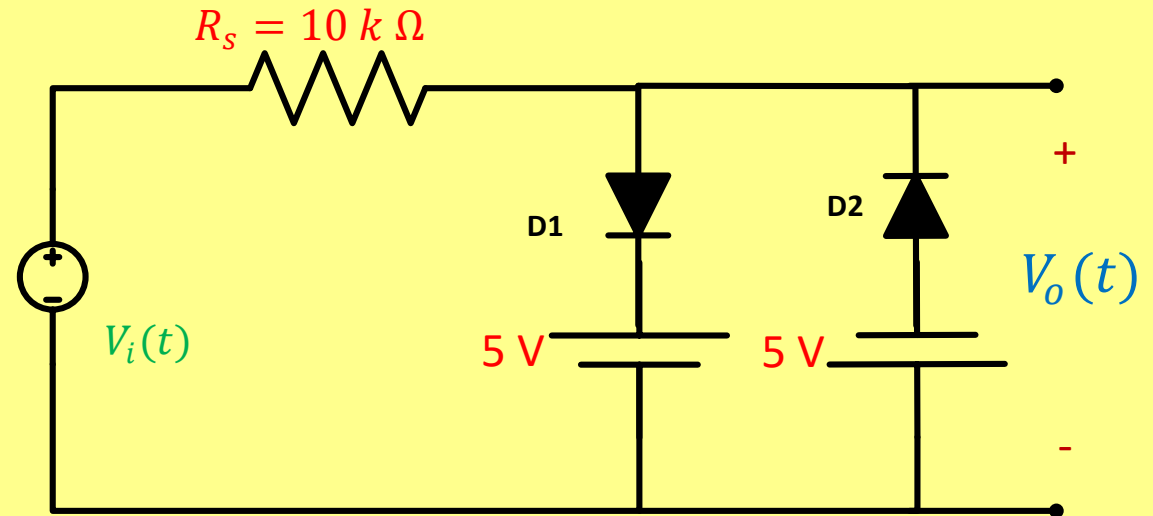
$$i_{D1}(t) = \frac{V_i(t) - 5}{10k} > 0$$

$$\therefore V_i(t) - 5 > 0$$

$$\therefore V_i(t) > 5 V$$

$$V_{D2}(t) = -5 - 5 = -10 V$$

\therefore When $V_i(t) > 5 V$, $V_o(t) = 5 V$



► 2) Assume D_2 on, and D_1 off

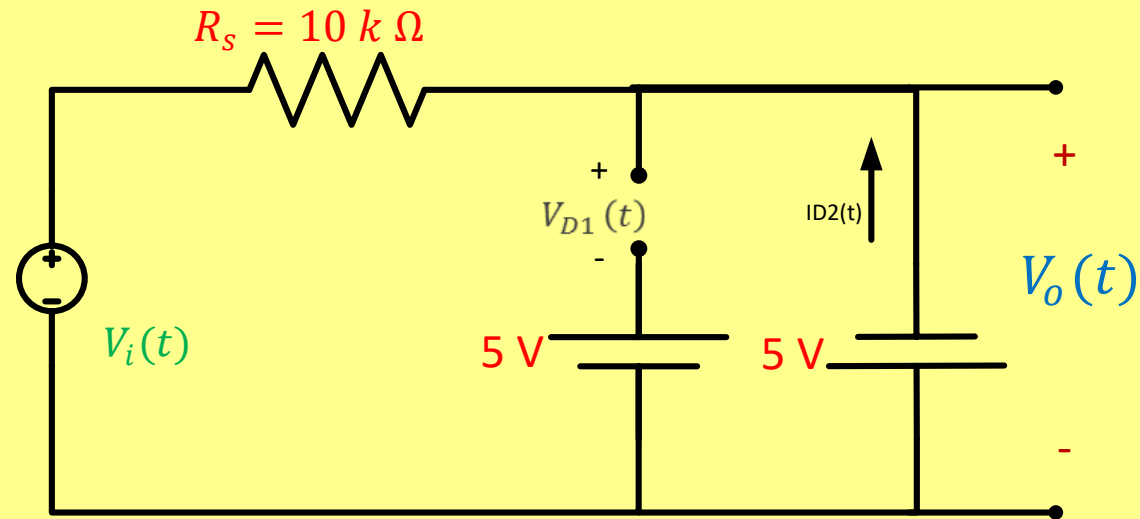
$$V_o(t) = -5 \text{ v}$$

$$i_{D2}(t) = \frac{-V_i(t) - 5}{10k} > 0$$

$$-V_i(t) - 5 > 0$$

$$\therefore V_i(t) < -5 \text{ V}$$

$$V_{D1}(t) = -5 - 5 = -10 \text{ V}$$



\therefore When $V_i < -5 \text{ v}$, $V_o(t) = -5 \text{ V}$

► 3) Assume that D_1 and D_2 are on

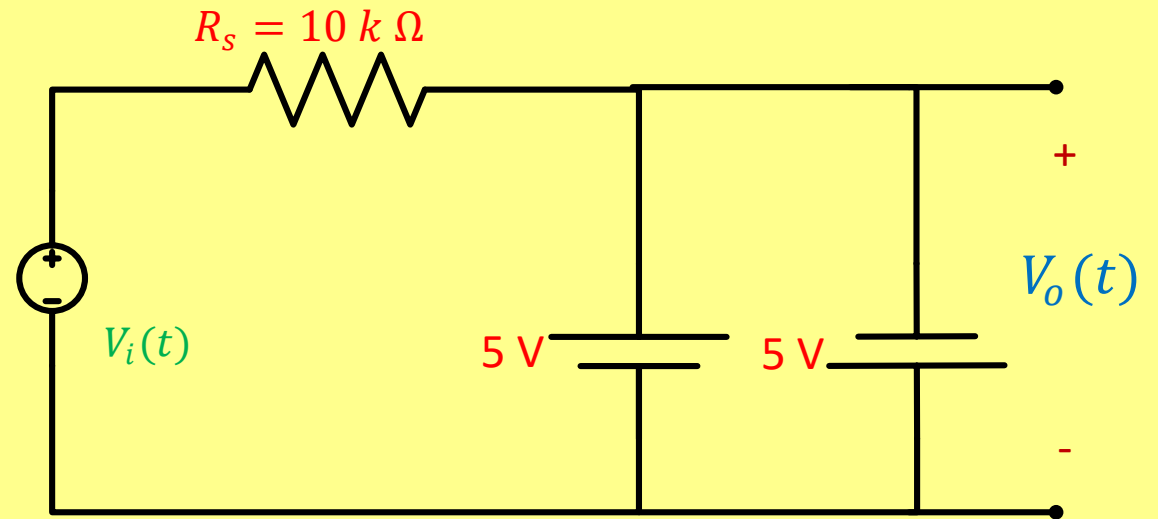
$$V_o = -5 \text{ v}$$

also $V_o = +5\text{v} ??$



This case is **not valid**

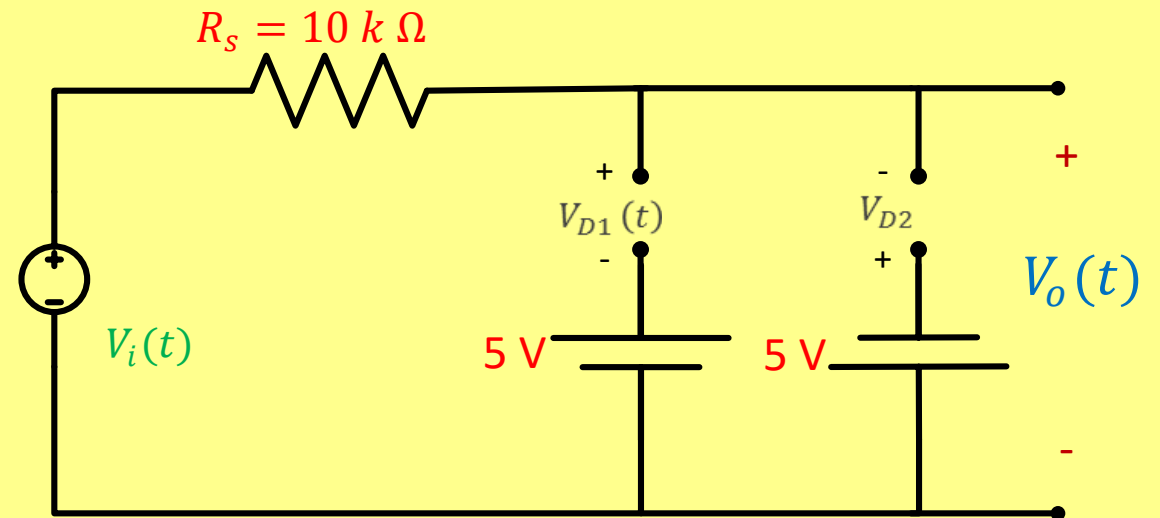
Impossible



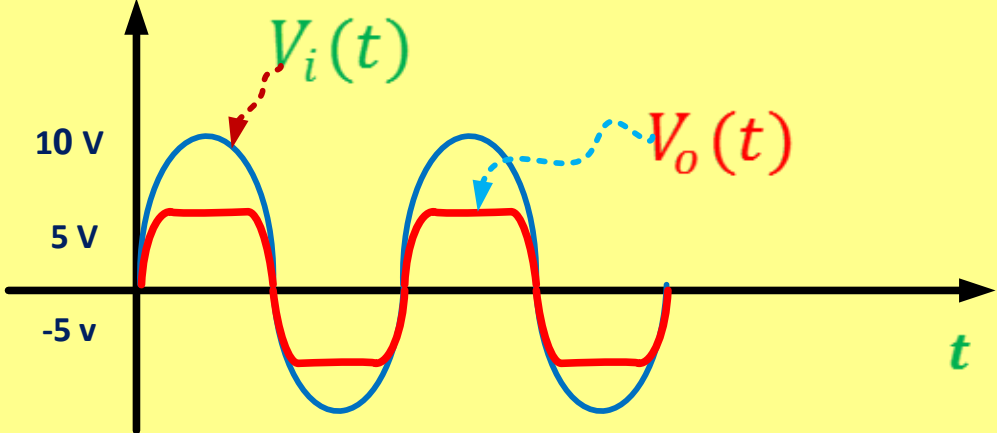
► 4) Assume that D_1 , and D_2 are off

► When $+5 > V_i(t) > -5$

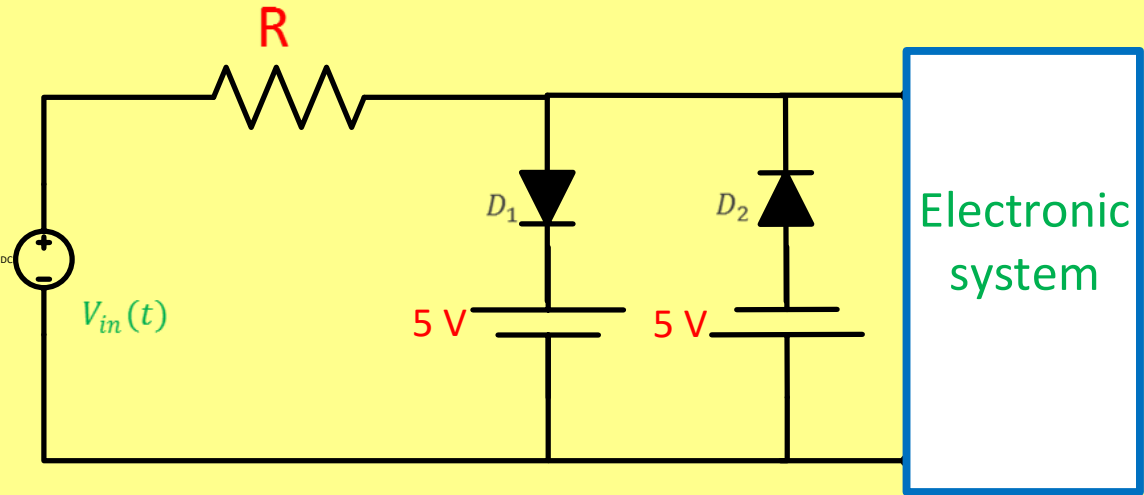
$$V_o(t) = V_i(t)$$



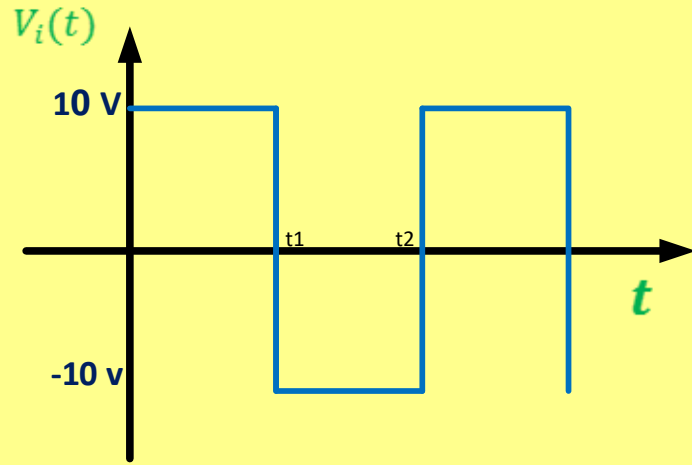
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Limiter
For protection



2) Clamping circuit



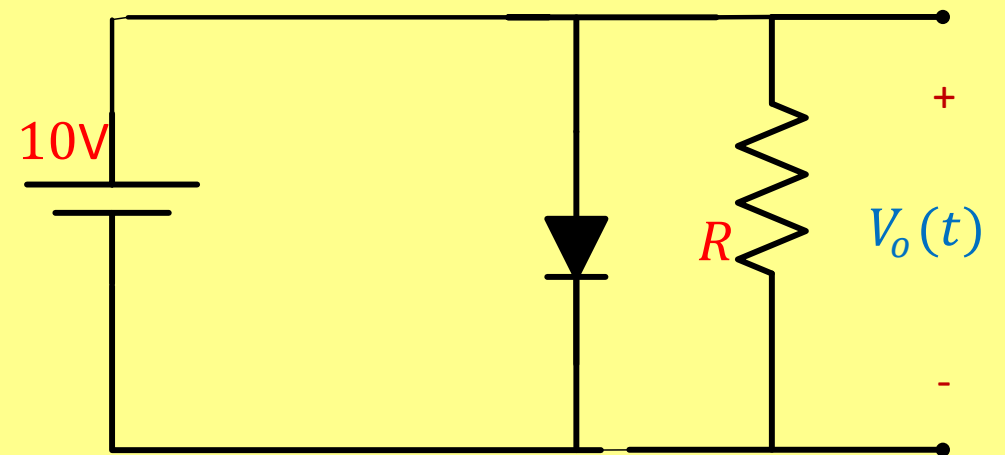
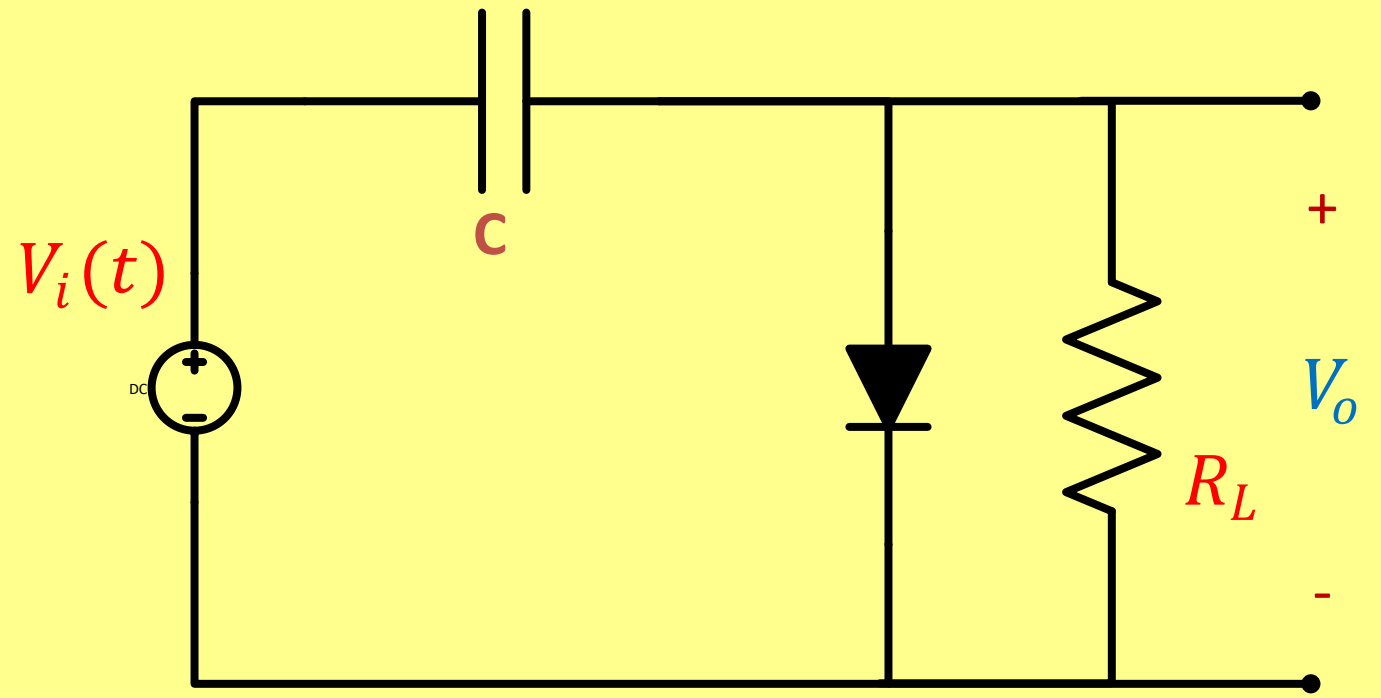
Diode is ideal , $V_C(0^-) = 0$

1) at $t = 0^+$

$$V_i(0^+) = 10\text{ V} \quad ; \quad V_C(0^+) = V_C(0^-) = 0$$

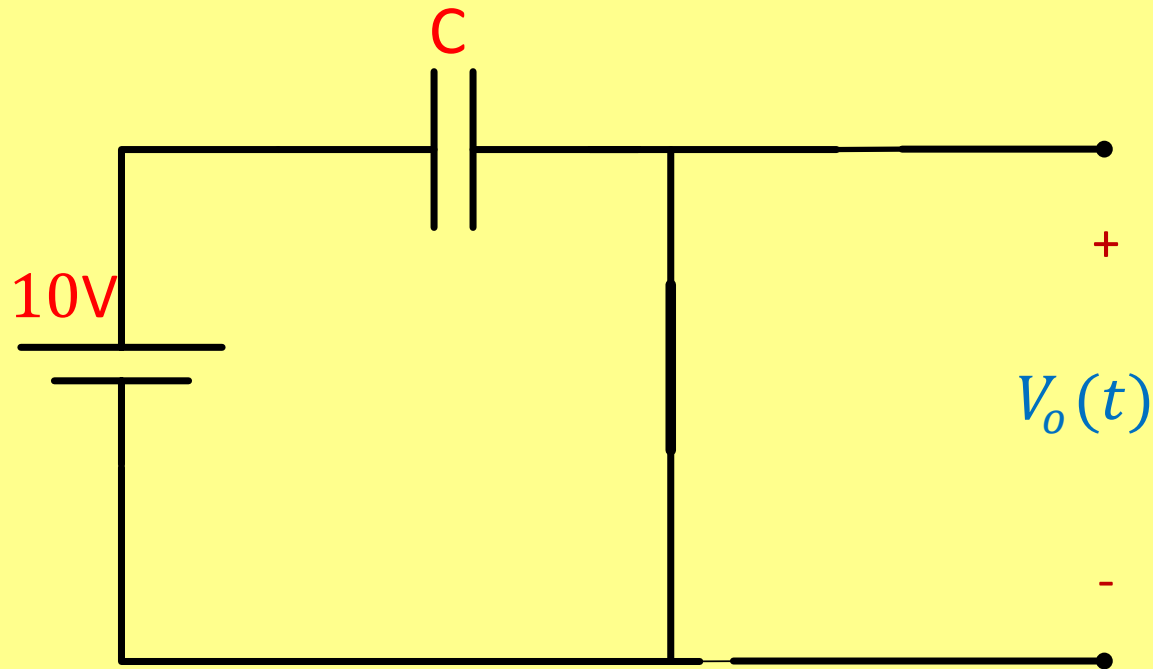
$$\therefore V_D(0^+) = 10\text{ V} ,$$

\therefore Diode is on and then replaced with short circuit

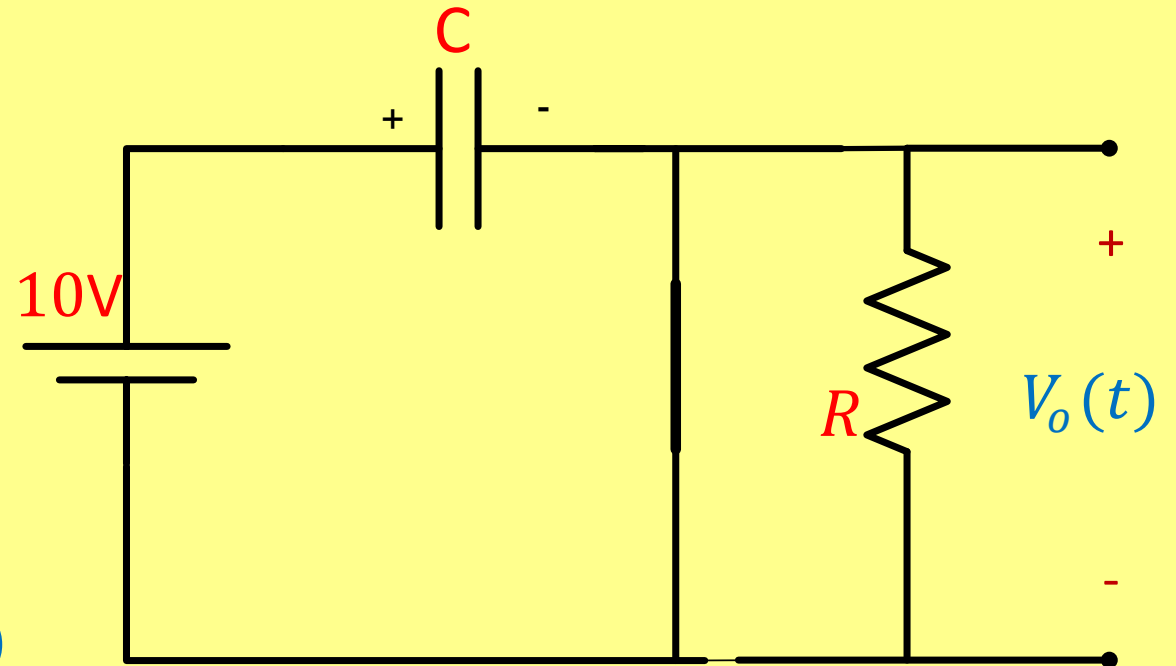


In the interval $t_1 > t > 0^+$

► $V_i = 10\text{ V}$, Diode is on (short)



$$V_o(t) = 0$$



and the capacitor charges toward $+10\text{ V}$ in $5\tau = 5R_{eq}C = 0$

In the interval $t_2 > t > t_1$

$$V_i = -10 V$$

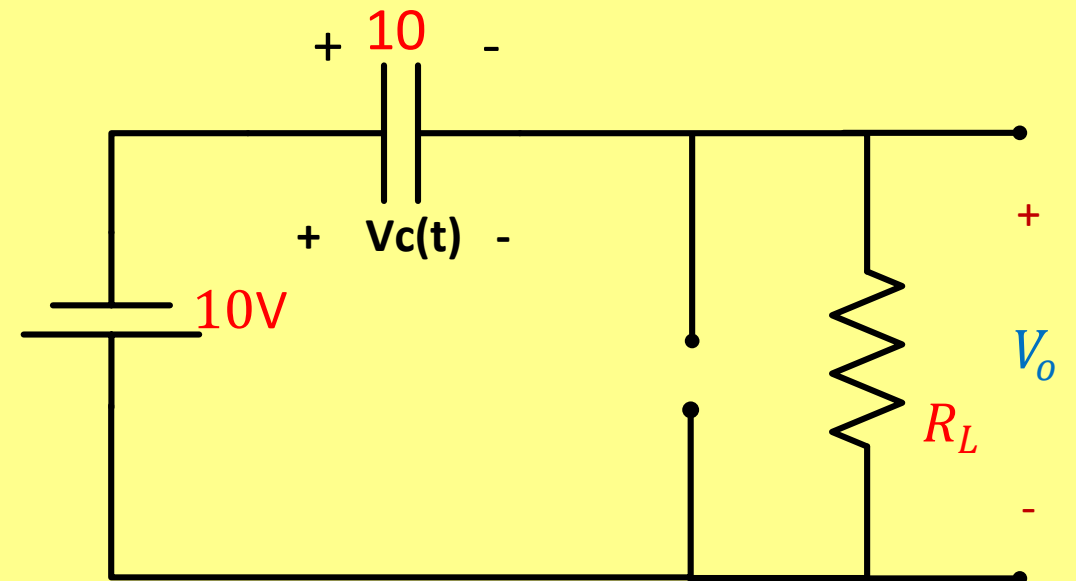
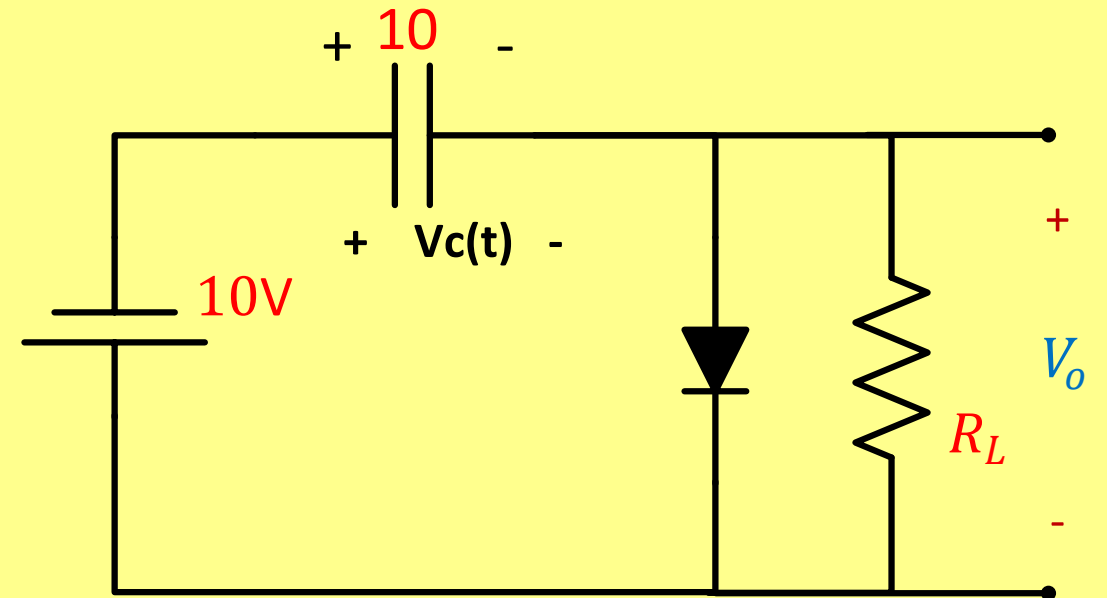
The diode is off and replaced with open circuit

▶ $\therefore V_o(t) = -V_c(t) - 10$

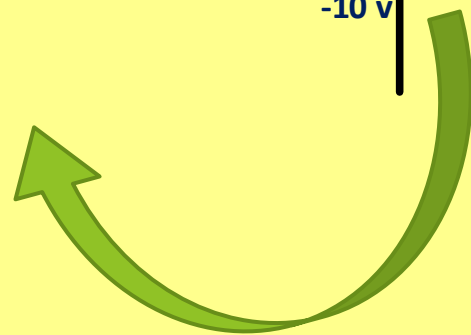
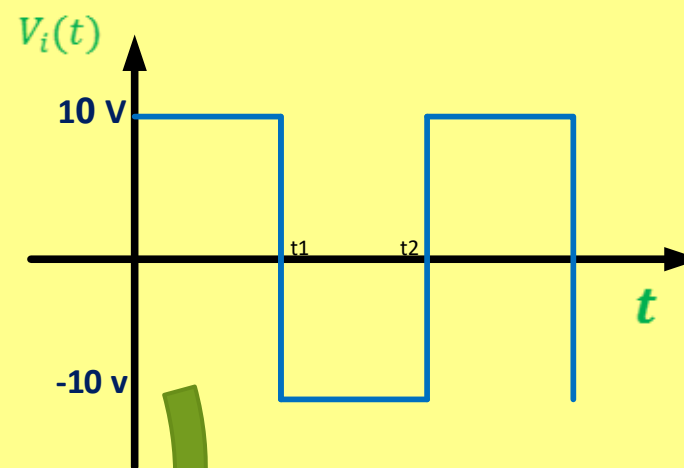
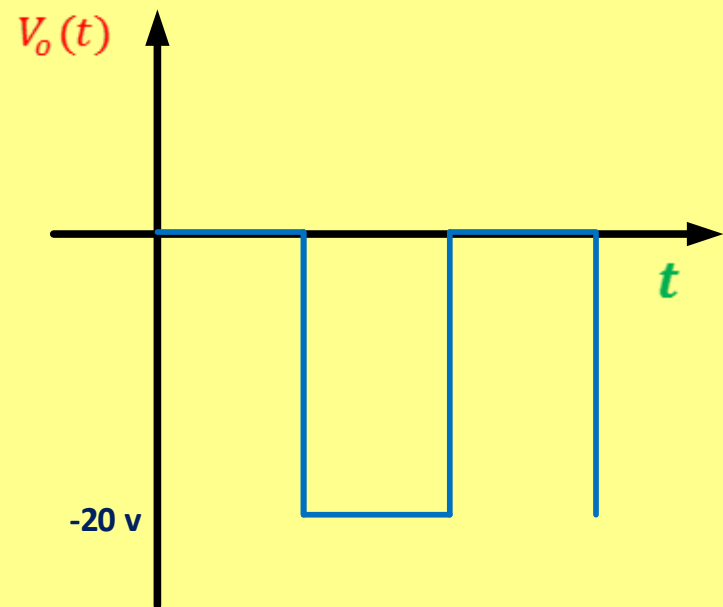
▶ $V_o(t) = -10 - 10$

$$V_o(t) = -20 V$$

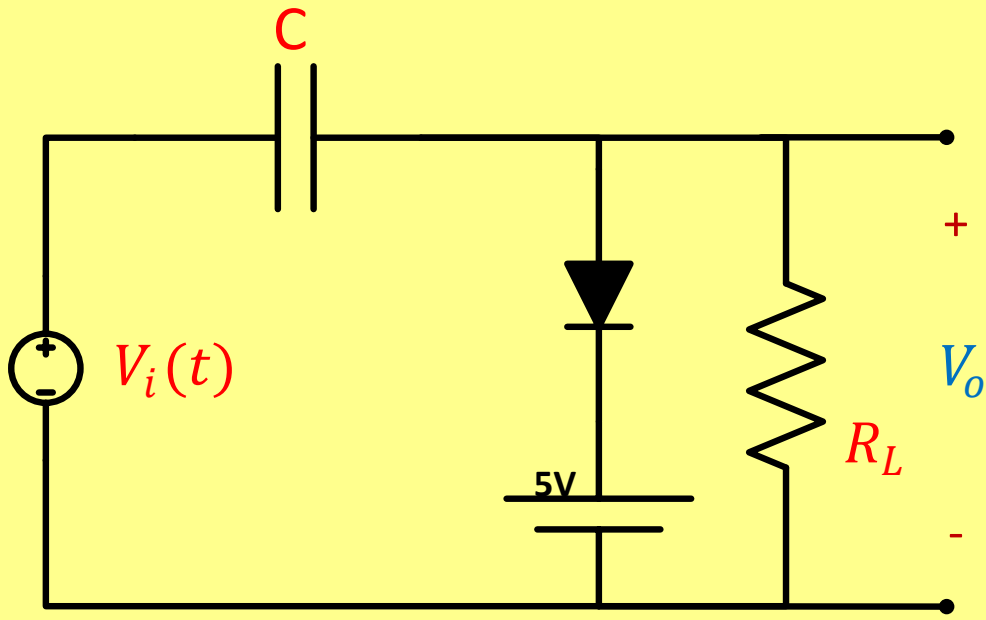
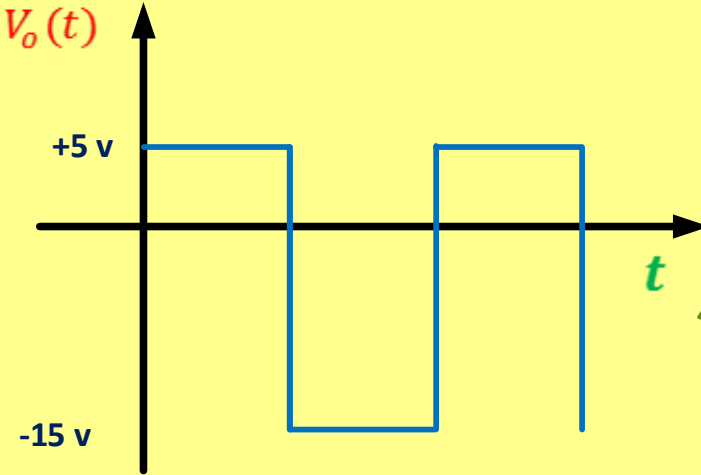
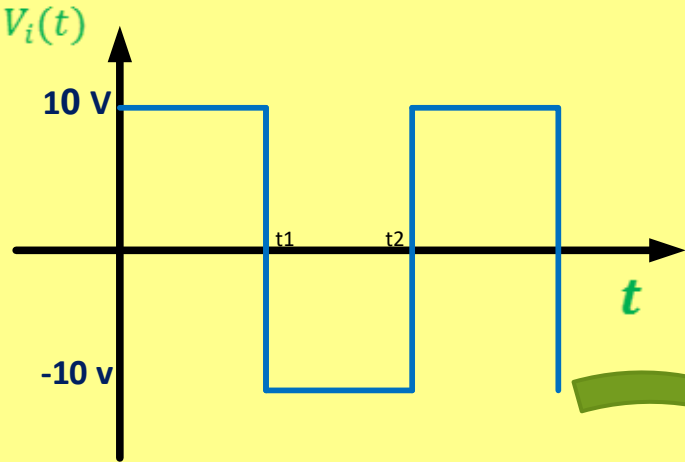
We must choose $RC \gg (t_2 - t_1)$
so that $V_c(t) \equiv 10 V$ in this interval



The output



Biased clamping circuit



3) Voltage Multiplier

D_1 , and D_2 are ideal

$$V_{c1}(0^-) = V_{c2}(0^-) = 0$$

A) at $t = 0^+$

$$V_i(0^+) > 0 \quad V_{c1}(0^+) = V_{c2}(0^+) = 0$$

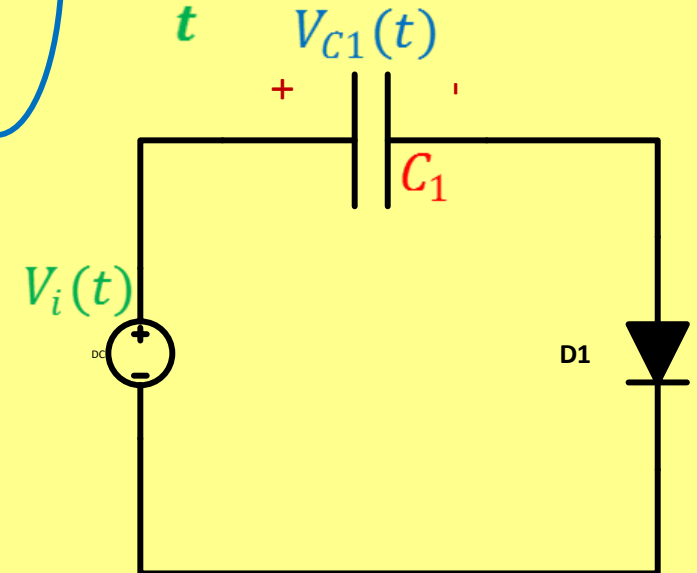
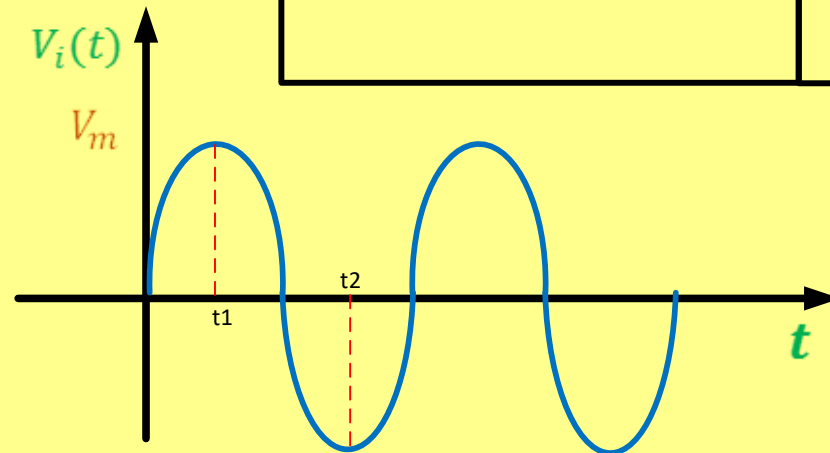
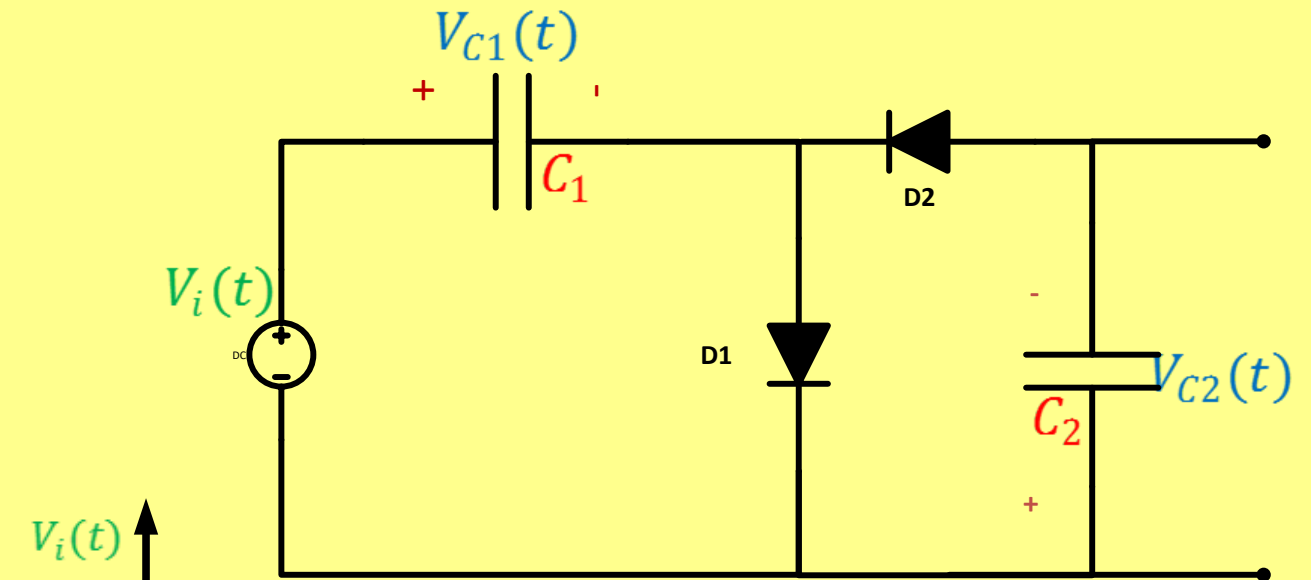
$V_{D1}(0^+) > 0V \therefore D_1$ on

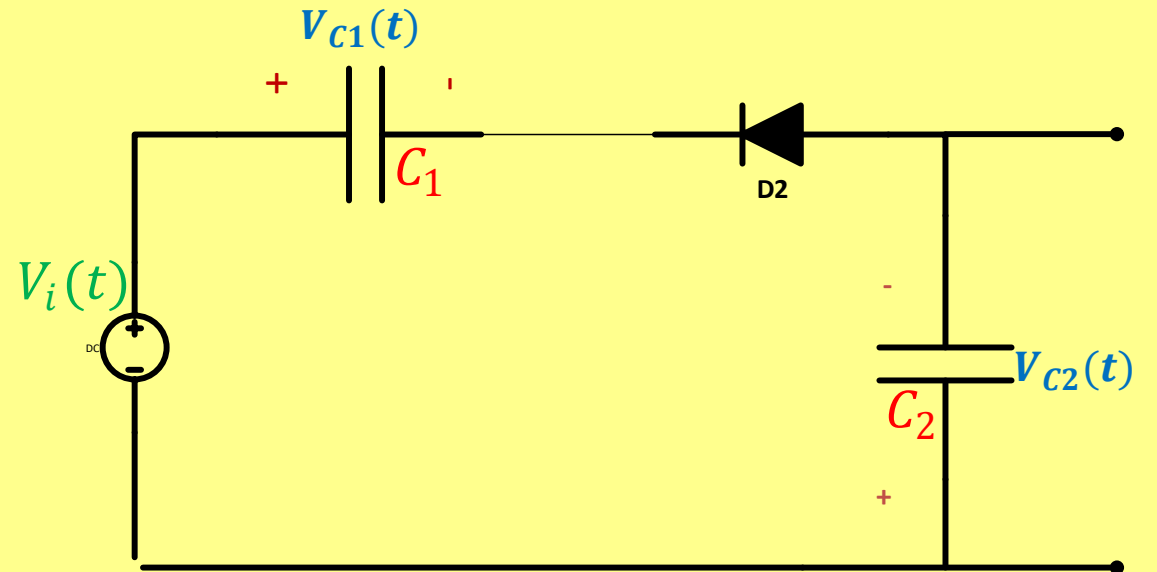
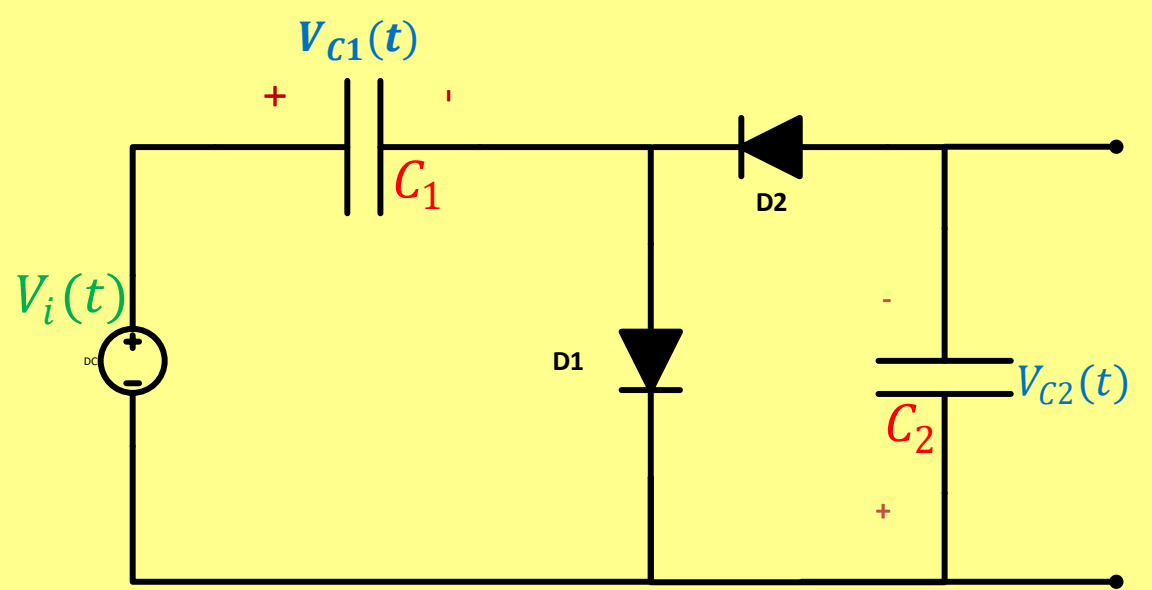
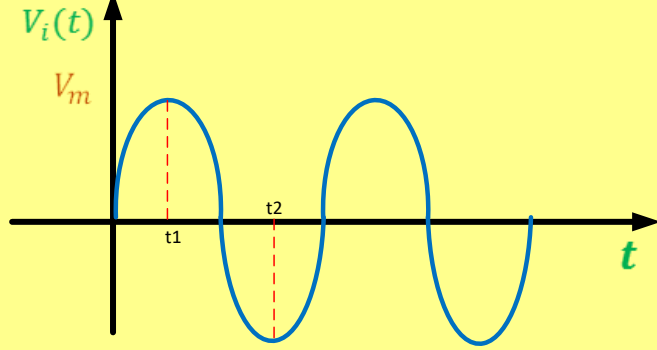
and $V_{D2}(0^+) < 0V \therefore D_2$ off

B) in the interval $t_1 > t > 0$

The capacitor C_1 charges towards V_m

$$\text{at } t_1 ; V_c(t_1) = V_m$$





► C) at $t = t_1^+$

$$V_{C1}(t_1^+) = V_m$$

$V_i(t_1^+) < V_m \therefore D_1$ is off, and D_2 is on

► D) in the interval $t_2 > t > t_1$

C_2 charges toward $2V_m$

at $t = t_2$

$$V_{C2}(t_2) = 2V_m$$

$$V_{C2}(t_2) = -V_i(t_2) + V_m$$

$$V_{C2}(t_2) = V_m + V_m = 2V_m$$

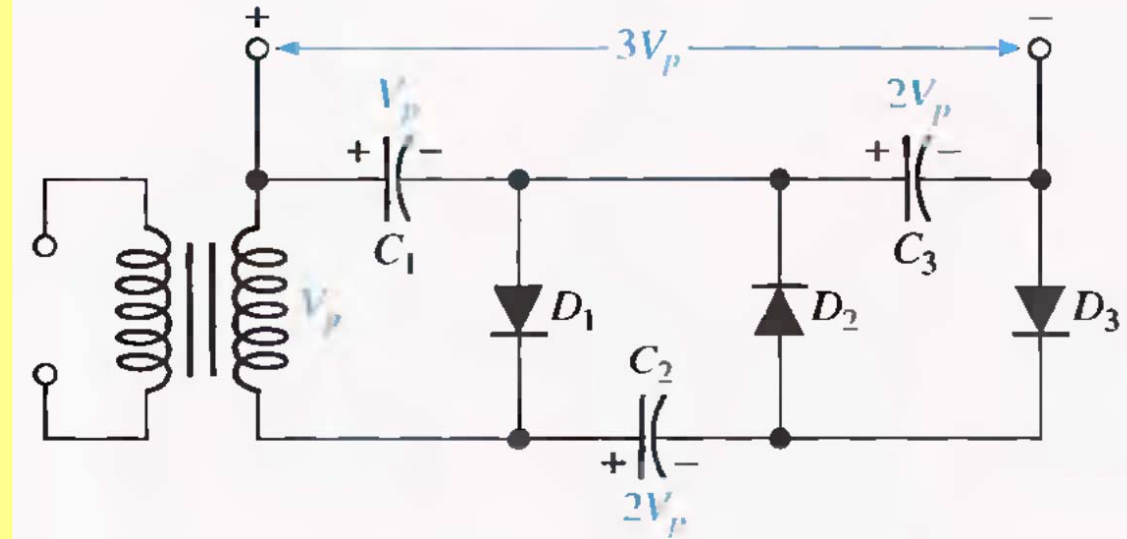
► E) at $t = t_2^+$

D_2 is off, D_1 is off

$$V_{C1}(t_2^+) = V_m$$

$$V_{C2}(t_2^+) = 2V_m$$

Voltage Tripler



Voltage Quadrupler

