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Homework 12 - Solution

Variable Structure System

[H9.14] Leaky Diode

Given the electrical circuit:



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[H9.14] Leaky Diode III



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[H9.14] Leaky Diode III



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[H9.14] Leaky Diode IV

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$$U_0 = V_0 \cdot \sin(\frac{2\pi t}{t_p})$$

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3: $i_C = C_1 \cdot \frac{du_R}{dt}$
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As expected, variable s does not show up inside an algebraic loop. It must be computed from the last equation.

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[H9.14] Leaky Diode V

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We were able to causalize all equations at once. The system feels like an *index-0 system*. However with an ideal diode, we would be confronted with a *conditional index change*.

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[H9.14] Leaky Diode VI



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[H9.14] Leaky Diode VII

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- This simulation is garbage! It should never happen that the simulation trajectories are highly sensitive to a non-physical fudge parameter.
- The circuit is garbage! A real diode always has residual resistance values. If we build this circuit, its behavior will depend on how well we solder the diode into the circuit. Thus, we cannot expect to get any level of reproducibility out of this circuit. Two different specimen will behave very differently.

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[H9.15] Mixed-mode Integration

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[H9.15] Mixed-mode Integration IV



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[H9.15] Mixed-mode Integration V

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[H9.15] Mixed-mode Integration VI

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1: ?: ?: 9: 2:	U ₀ u _L i ₀ i _C u _R	 	$V_0 \cdot \sin(\frac{2\pi t}{t_p})$ $L_1 \cdot di_0$ $\operatorname{pre}(i_0) + h \cdot di_0$ $C_1 \cdot \frac{du_R}{dt}$ $R_2 \cdot i_R$
?:	U ₀	=	$u_L + u_D + u_R$
8:	i 0	=	$i_{C} + i_{R}$
?: ?:	u _D i ₀	=	${m_0\cdot s \over (1-m_0)\cdot s}$

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[H9.15] Mixed-mode Integration VI

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We ended up with an algebraic loop in five equations and five unknowns. Luckily, the switch equation (variable s) is inside the algebraic loop.

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[H9.15] Mixed-mode Integration VII

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4:	uL	=	$U_0 - u_D - u_R$
5:	di ₀	=	$\frac{1}{L_1} \cdot \boldsymbol{u}_L$
6:	<i>i</i> 0	=	$\operatorname{pre}(i_0) + h \cdot di_0$
res.eq.:	5	=	$\frac{1}{1-m_0}\cdot i_0$
8:	i _C	=	$i_0 - i_R$
9:	$\frac{du_R}{dt}$	=	$\frac{1}{C_1} \cdot i_C$

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We were able to causalize all of the remaining equations in this way.

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[H9.15] Mixed-mode Integration VIII

Substitution gives us the completely causal set of simulation equations:

1:
$$U_0 = V_0 \cdot \sin(\frac{2\pi t}{l_p})$$

2: $i_R = \frac{1}{R_2} \cdot u_R$
3: $s = \frac{l_1 \cdot \operatorname{pre}(i_0) + h \cdot (U_0 - u_R)}{l_1 \cdot (1 - m_0) + h \cdot m_0}$
4: $u_D = m_0 \cdot s$
5: $u_L = U_0 - u_D - u_R$
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[H9.15] Mixed-mode Integration VIII

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3: $s = \frac{1 \cdot \operatorname{pre}(i_0) + h \cdot (U_0 - u_R)}{L_1 \cdot (1 - m_0) + h \cdot m_0}$
4: $u_D = m_0 \cdot s$
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If the diode operates in its blocking mode $(m_0 = 1)$, we unfortunately end up with h in the denominator of the equation computing s.

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[H9.15] Mixed-mode Integration IX



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[H9.15] Mixed-mode Integration X

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- During the time, when the diode is blocking, the step size increases to the maximum value allowed, i.e., it increases to the communication interval.
- ► The simulation results look once again different. I would have needed to use values of $R_{on} = 10^{-10}\Omega$ and $G_{off} = 10^{-10}mho$, in order to get simulation results out of the former model that look similar to those of the latter model. However, this would have been out of the question without using a stiff system solver. My notebook would have died of old age, before that simulation would have ended.

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