

- 8.46 (a) An ideal silicon pn junction diode at $T = 300$ K is forward biased at $V_a = +20$ mV. The reverse-saturation current is $I_s = 10^{-13}$ A. Calculate the small-signal diffusion resistance. (b) Repeat part (a) for an applied reverse-biased voltage of $V_a = -20$ mV.

$$a) \text{ Per (8.67), } g_d = \left(\frac{e}{k_B T} \right) I_s e^{V_0 / (k_B T / e)} \Big|_{V_a = V_0}$$

$$r_d = \frac{1}{g_d} = \frac{8.617333 \times 10^{-5} \text{ eV/K} (300 \text{ K})}{e} \frac{1}{10^{-13} \text{ e}} \frac{-0.02}{8.617333 \times 10^{-5} (300)}$$

$$\underline{\underline{r_d = 1.1926 \times 10^{-11} \Omega}}$$

$$b) r_d = 8.617333 \times 10^{-5} (300) \frac{1}{10^{-13} \text{ e}} \frac{+0.02}{8.617333 \times 10^{-5} (300)}$$

$$\underline{\underline{r_d = 5.6038 \times 10^{-11} \Omega}}$$