EXPERIMENT 3: DIODE APPLICATIONS PART CLAMPER & RECTIFIER CIRCUITS

Objectives

The objectives of Experiment 3 are

- 1. To understand clamper circuits.
- 2. To understand rectifier circuits.

Components Required:

• 1N4148, 1N4001, $1k\Omega$, $100k\Omega$, 1μ F, 100μ F, LEDs (4 in two different colors).

Preliminary Work:

- 1. Study clamper and rectifier circuits from your lecture notes and textbook.
- 2. Analyze each circuit theoretically.
- 3. Perform simulations of the part of experimental work in ORCAD and add them to your report. All diodes are 1N4001 except for in Figure 1. Apply 1kHz Vsin voltage.
- a) (Figure 1)
 - □ Simulate the circuit and plot the **input and the output voltages on the same plot pane** for three periods (Use white background in plot pane and change the graphic line thickness to be legible).
 - \Box Explain how the circuit works.
- b) (Figure 2 & Figure 3)
 - \Box Choose R1=1k, C1=1 μ F. Apply 1kHz Vsin voltage.
 - \Box Firstly, observe the output signal when the capacitor is not connected.
 - \Box Secondly, observe it when the capacitor is connected.
 - \Box Simulate the same circuit when R1=100k and C1=100µF.
 - \Box Give simulation results in your homework for each case.
 - □ Plot the **input and the output voltages on the same plot pane** for three periods (Use white background in plot pane and change the graphic line thickness to be legible).
 - \Box Explain how the circuits work.
- c) Perform simulations of all of the circuits in the experimental work using TinkerCAD.

Experimental Work:

Clamper circuits:

1. Build the circuit in Figure 1. Draw the output that you observe on the oscilloscope for $V_1=5V$.



Figure 1

Rectifier circuits:

2. Build the one-way rectifier given in Figure 2, observe the output signal when the capacitor is connected and when it is not. Choose $R1=1k\Omega$, $C1=1\mu$ F, and $R1=100k\Omega$ and $C1=100\mu$ F. Examine the operation of the circuit and record the results. Diode is 1N4001.



Figure 2

3. Build the bridge type rectifier given in Figure 3, observe the output signal when the capacitor is connected and when it is not. $R1=1k\Omega$ and $C1=1\mu$ F. Examine the operation of the circuit and record the results. Comment on the difference with the other circuits.



Figure 3