

Introduction to DC Circuits

.1] **Electrical Network**

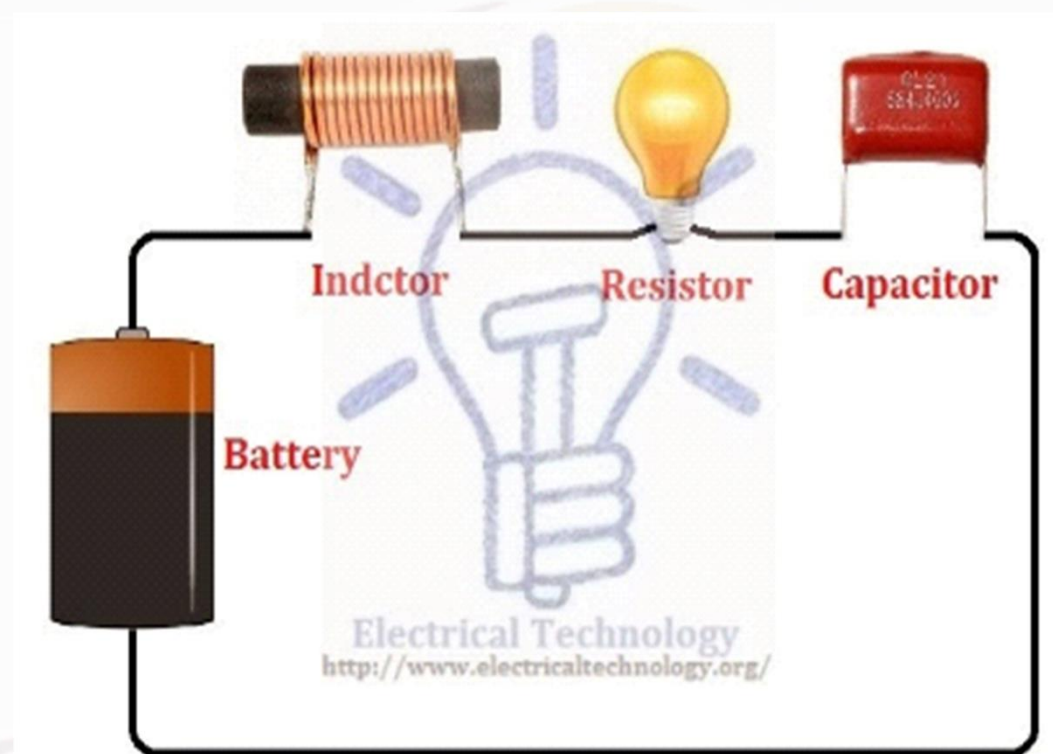
Combination of different electric elements or components which are connected in any way called electric network.

.2] **Complex Networks**

Circuit which contains on many electrical elements such as resistors, capacitors, inductors, current sources and Voltage source (both AC and DC) is called Complex network. These kinds of networks can't be solved easily by simple ohm's Law or Kirchhoff's laws. I.e. we solve these circuits by specific technique i.e. Norton's Theorem, Thevenin's Theorem, Superposition theorem etc.

.3] **Circuit or Electric Circuit**

Circuit is a close loop path giving a return path for the current. Or a close conducting path in which current can flow is called circuit



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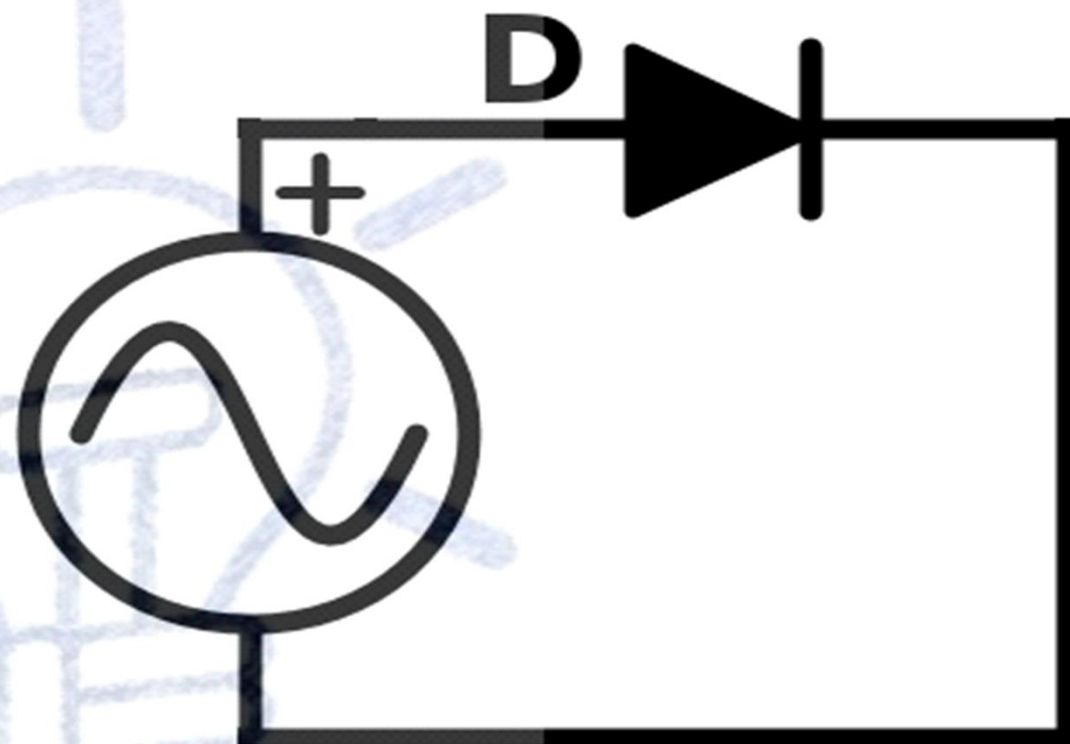
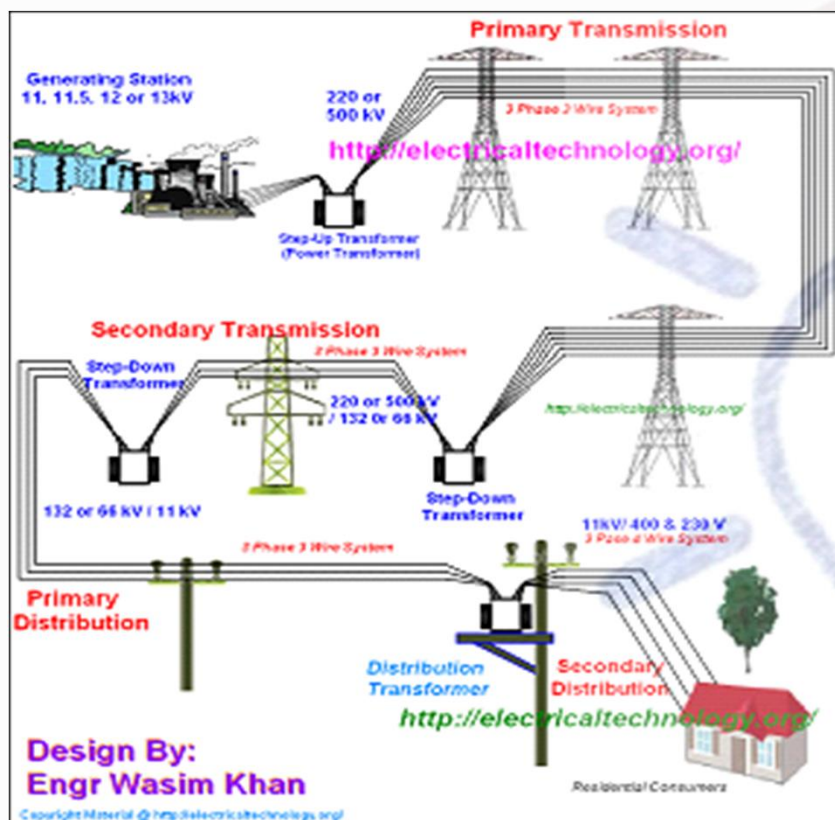
4] Unilateral and Bilateral circuits

Unilateral circuits

In unilateral circuits, the property of circuit changes with the change of direction of supply voltage or current. In other words, unilateral circuit allows the current to flow only in one direction. Diode rectifier is the best example of unilateral circuit because it does not perform the rectification in both direction of supply.

Bi-lateral circuits

In bilateral circuits, the property of circuit does not change with the change of direction of supply voltage or current. In other words, bilateral circuit allows the current to flow in both directions. Transmission line is the best example of bilateral circuit because, if you supply from any direction, the circuit properties remain constant.



Bi-lateral circuits
(Transmission line)

Unilateral circuits
(Diode rectifier)

Active and Passive Circuits:

Active Circuit

Circuit which contains one or more E.M.F (Electro motive force) sources is called Active Circuit

Passive Circuit

Circuit in which no EMF source exist is called Passive Circuit

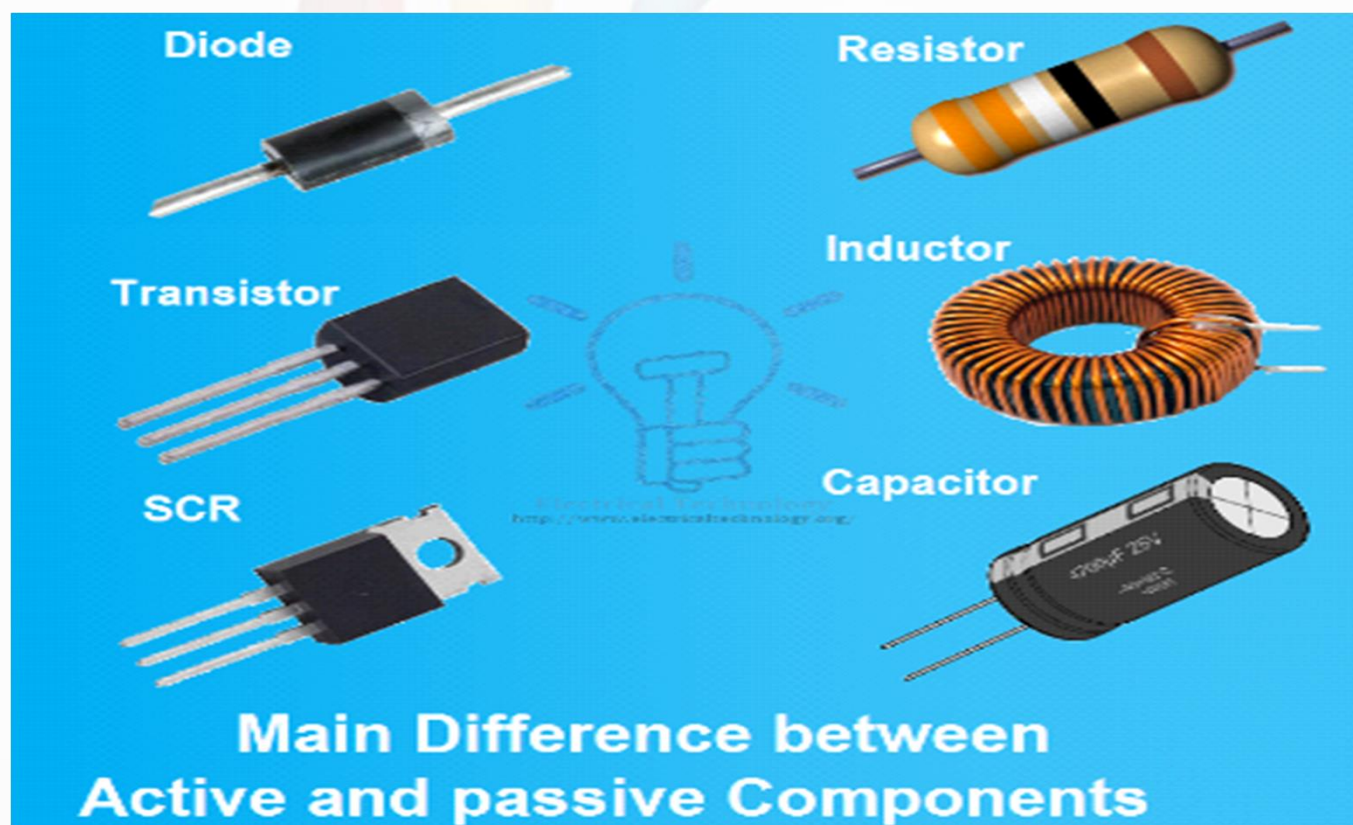
Main Difference between Active and Passive Components

Active Components:

Those devices or components which required external source for their operation is called Active Components.

For Example: Diode, Transistors, SCR etc...

Definition: Diode is an Active Components as it requires an External Source to its operation. If we connect it in a Circuit and then connect this circuit to the Supply voltage., then Diode will not conduct the current until the supply voltage reaches to 0.3V (in case of Germanium) or 0.7V (in case of Silicon).



VIDEO- COMPONENTS

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=iHmSj6v7LOE>

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Passive Components:

Those devices or components which do not require external source to their operation are called Passive Components.

Example: Resistor, Capacitor, Inductor etc...

Other important related terms to Electric Circuits and Networks

Node

A point or junction where two or more circuit's elements (resistor, capacitor, inductor etc) meet is called Node

Branch

A part or section of circuit which is located between two junctions is called branch. In a branch, one or more elements can be connected and they have two terminals.

Loop

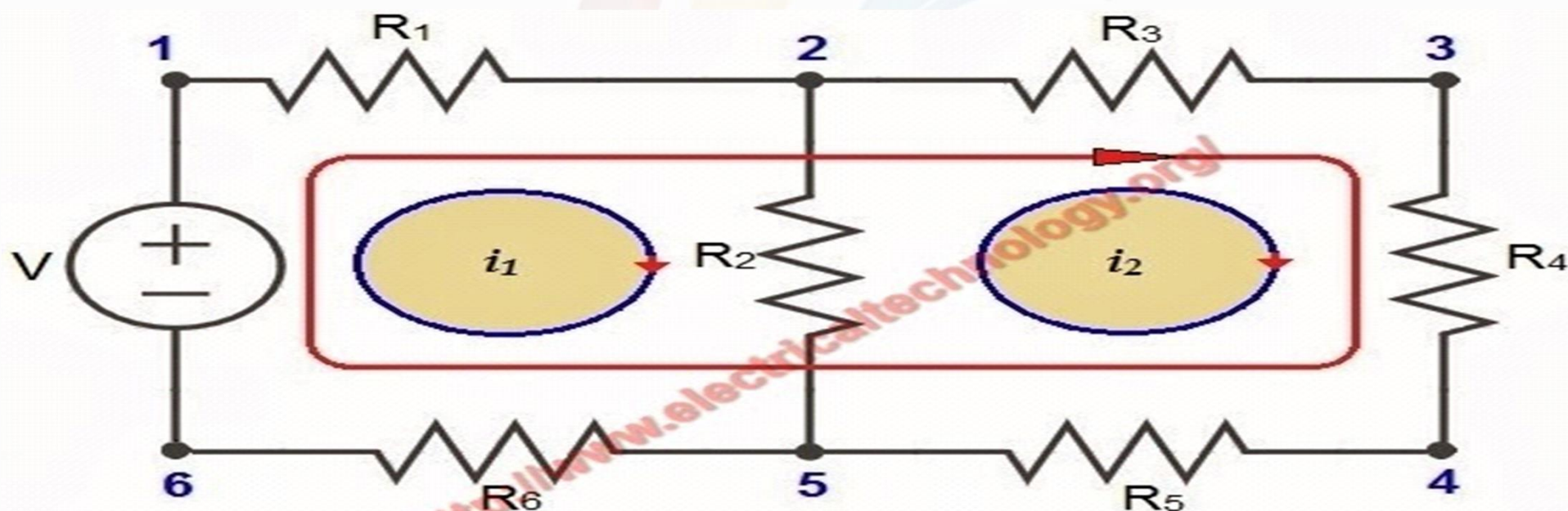
A closed path in circuit where more than two meshes can be occurred is called loop i.e. there can be many meshes in a loop, but a mesh does not contain one loop.

Mesh

A closed loop which contains no other loop within it or a path which does not contain on other loops is called Mesh.

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Determine the number of Nodes, Branches, Loops and Meshes in a Circuit:



**How to determine the number of Nodes,
Branches, Loops and Meshes in a Circuit**
6 Nodes, 7 Branches, 3 Loops, & 2 Meshes,

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