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## LEEI-52 Measurement of V-I Characteristics of Nonlinear Components



The measurement of electrical properties of linear or nonlinear components by V -I method is an important lab topic in college physics training. This experimental apparatus can help students to understand the principles of resistance current-limiting in serial connection and voltage -dividing in parallel connection and understand the electrical characteristics of different components, while master the method for measuring V-I characteristics of regular diode, Zener diode, light-emitting diode and ordinary tungsten bulb.

LEEI-52 apparatus consists of a 5 VDC regulated power supply, a digital voltage meter, a digital current meter, variable resistors, a regular diode, a Zener diode, a light-emitting diode, a tungsten bulb and so on. The following objectives can be achieved:

1. Master the method and the basic circuit of measuring V-I characteristics of nonlinear components.
2. Master the basic characteristics of diodes, Zener diodes and lightemitting diodes. Accurately measure their forward threshold voltages.
3. Plot the graphs of V-I characteristic curves of the above three nonlinear components.

## Specifications

| Description | Specifications |
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| Voltage source | $+5 \mathrm{VDC}, 0.5 \mathrm{~A}$ |
| Digital voltmeter | $0 \sim 1.999 \mathrm{~V}$, resolution, $0.001 \mathrm{~V} ; 0 \sim 19.99 \mathrm{~V}$, resolution 0.01 V |
| Digital ammeter | $0 \sim 200 \mathrm{~mA}$, resolution 0.01 mA |
| Power consumption | $<10 \mathrm{~W}$ |



V-I characteristics of diode and Zener diode


Light spectrum of a LED

