

Normally considered a diode, however the diode is usually thought of as a signal device, with currents of 1 AMP or less; and a rectifier, a power device with currents up to 1,000 amps or more. Also, the term rectifier is usually associated with rectification of some sort whereas a diode can be a rectifier, a Zener, a four-layer device or a signal block.

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