1. ( 2.5 pts ) The IV characteristic of a photovoltaic cell is shown.
a) Estimate the fill factor and the series resistance.
b) Derive an analytical expression for the series resistance. Obtain a nearly exact value for the series resistance within this analysis.

2. ( 1.5 pts ) A p-n junction solar cell has $V_{\mathrm{oc}}=0.6 \mathrm{~V}$ and $J_{\mathrm{sc}}=30 \mathrm{~mA} / \mathrm{cm}^{2}$. A second cell, of the same area, has $V_{\mathrm{oc}}=0.7 \mathrm{~V}$ and $J_{\mathrm{sc}}=12 \mathrm{~mA} / \mathrm{cm}^{2}$. Assume that both cells obey the ideal diode equation,
a) Find the values of $V_{\mathrm{oc}}$ and $J_{\mathrm{sc}}$ when the two are connected in parallel?
b) Find the values of $V_{\mathrm{oc}}$ and $J_{\mathrm{sc}}$ when the two are connected in series?

| $q$ | $1.6 \times 10^{-19} \mathrm{C}$ | electron charge |
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| $\epsilon_{o}$ | $8.85 \times 10^{-14} \mathrm{~F} / \mathrm{cm}$ | permittivity of free space |
| $K_{S}$ | $11.8(\mathrm{Si})$ | relative dielectric constant |
| $K_{o}$ | $3.9\left(\mathrm{SiO}_{2}\right)$ | relative dielectric constant |
| $k_{B}$ | $8.617 \times 10^{-5} \mathrm{eV} / \mathrm{K}$ | Boltzman's constant |
| $h$ | $6.63 \times 10^{-34} \mathrm{~J} \mathrm{~s}$ | Planck constant |
| $m_{o}$ | $9.11 \times 10^{-31} \mathrm{~kg}$ | electron mass |
| $k_{B} T / q$ | 0.0259 V at 300 K | thermal voltage |
| $c$ | $3 \times 10^{8} \mathrm{~m} / \mathrm{s}$ | speed of light |

