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**Title of paper:        Analogue Electronics I**

**Course Number:     EEE321**

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**Time allowed: 3 hours**

**Instructions:**

1. Answer any **FOUR (4)** questions
2. Each question carries 25 marks
3. Marks for each question are shown at the right hand margin

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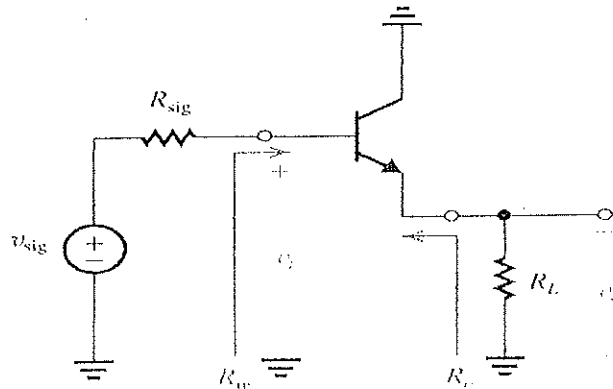
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**Question 1**

- a) A transistor is usually used as a *voltage-controlled current source*. Assume it is biased to operate in *active mode*, with an aid of a diagram, describe how the currents  $i_C$ ,  $i_B$  and  $i_E$  are created within the transistor in terms of holes and electrons. Give the equations for these currents [10]
- b) One challenge encountered in biasing a transistor is that of establishing a constant current dc current. Draw the circuit diagram for the *classical method using a single power supply* and find the expression of the current  $I_E$  [8]
- c) Draw the voltage transfer characteristics (VTC) of a MOSFET transistor and explain how the value of  $v_{GS}$  in relation to  $V_t$  affects the changes in the modes of operation of the transistor. Write the values of  $V_{DS}$  and  $i_D$  in the saturation region. [7]

**Question 2**

- a) For a full wave rectifier
  - i) Find the mean value of the load current and the load voltage [4]
  - ii) Show that its efficiency is 0.81 [6]
- b) Given the circuit shown in **Figure 2** below,
  - i) Draw the small signal equivalent circuit [5]
  - ii) Find  $R_{in}$  [6]
  - iii) Show that it has a gain of unity hence the name "Emitter follower" [4]



**Figure 2**

**Question 3**

- a) Based on **Figure 3 a)**
  - i) Draw and label correctly the *Hybrid- $\pi$  small-signal* model of the circuit [4]
  - ii) Given that  $I_C = 5mA$ ,  $\beta = 50$  and  $V_T = 25mV$  calculate the parameters  $g_m$  and  $r_\pi$  [4]

- iii) Find the *small-signal* voltage gain  $A_v = \frac{V_{out}}{V_{in}}$ ;  $R_{in}$  and  $R_o$  in the circuit below, given that  $R_C = 3k\Omega$  and  $V_A = 10V$ .

[5]

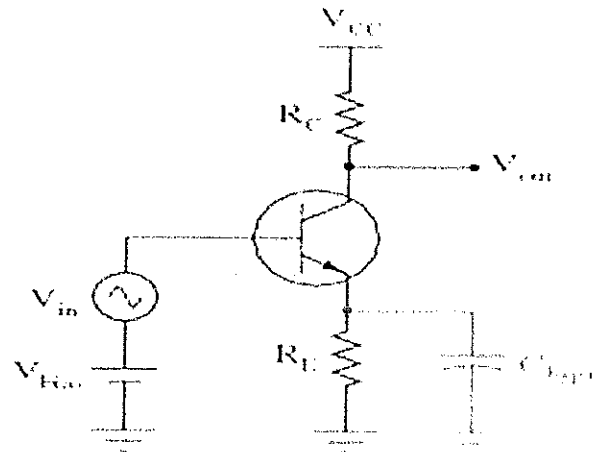


Figure 3 a)

- b) Consider the Common-Source amplifier circuit, Figure 3 b) below. Find the following

- i) The input resistance  $R_{in}$  [1]
- ii) The voltage gain  $G_V = \frac{v_o}{v_{sig}}$  [5]
- iii) The output resistance  $R_{out}$  [2]

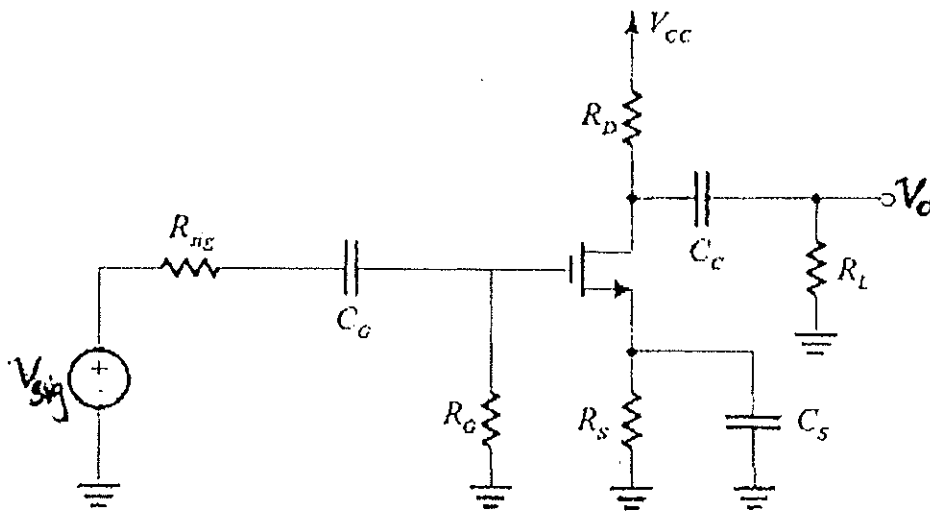


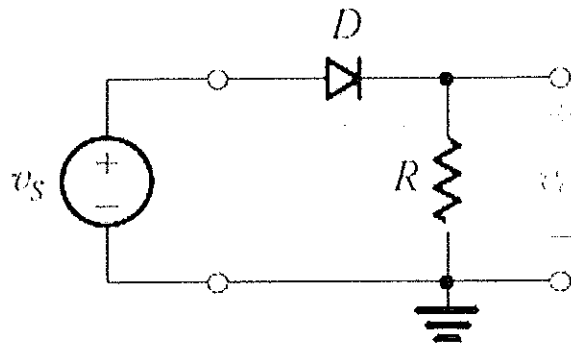
Figure 3 b)

- c) List and describe two elements of a regulator

[4]

#### Question 4

- a) For the op-amp inverting integrator circuit,
- Draw and label the circuit diagram. [3]
  - Determine the voltage across the capacitor. [4]
  - Determine output voltage. [2]
- b) Given the half wave rectifier, **Figure 4**, below



**Figure 4**

- Find the RMS value of the load voltage [4]
- Find the RMS value of the load current [4]
- Given that the current  $i(t) = 5 \sin(2\pi 100t)$  and the voltage is  $v_o = 10 \sin(2\pi 300t)$  find the values of the RMS voltage and RMS current above. [4]
- Show that the efficiency of the rectifier above  $\eta = 0.405$  [4]

**Question 5**

- a) In the circuit **Figure 5 a)** below
- Identify the type of regulator. [2]
  - Identify the four elements that make up a regulator. [4]
  - Find the output voltage. [3]

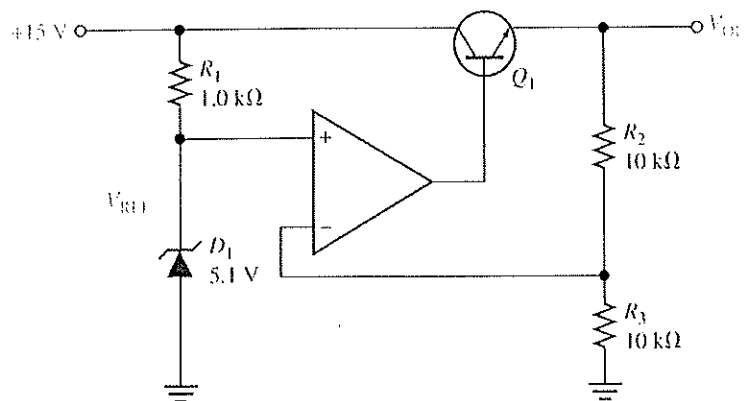


Figure 5 a)

- b) Describe the operation of a shunt regulator [6]
- c) Given the circuit shown in Figure 3 (b) below,  $R_1 = 100k\Omega$ ,  $R_2 = 50 k\Omega$ ,  $R_C = 5k\Omega$ ,  $R_E = 3k\Omega$ ,  $\beta = 100$ ,  $V_{BE} = 0.7V$
- i) Calculate the following DC parameters  $V_{BB}$ ,  $I_B$ ,  $I_E$ ,  $I_C$ ,  $V_C$  . [7]
- ii) Draw the resultant circuit, and label all the parameters correctly . [3]

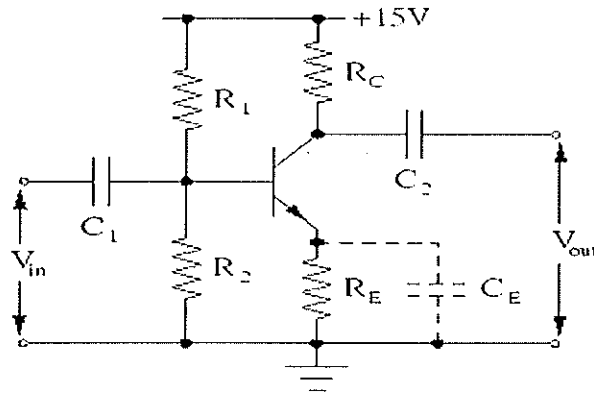


Figure 5 b)