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Specialty Name and Acronym	ELECTRONICS – ELN
Subject Title	Electronic Circuits
Subject Code No.	5255
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Duration: Three Hours

Section A has FOUR Questions. Answer Question ONE and Any Other Two.

Section B has TWO Questions. Answer One Question.

Show all the steps in your calculations giving your answer at each stage and indicating the units and symbols used.

All sketches must be neat and clear.

You are allowed to use non programmable calculators and mathematical sets

You are reminded of the necessity for good English and orderly presentation in your answers.

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SECTION A: ANALOGUE ELECTRONICS
Answer question one and any two questions

1. CIRCUIT ANALYSIS

The circuit parameters of the circuit in figure 1 are $E_1 = 20V$, $E_2 = 40V$, $E_3 = 10V$, $R_1 = 4\Omega$, and $R_2 = R_3 = 8\Omega$.

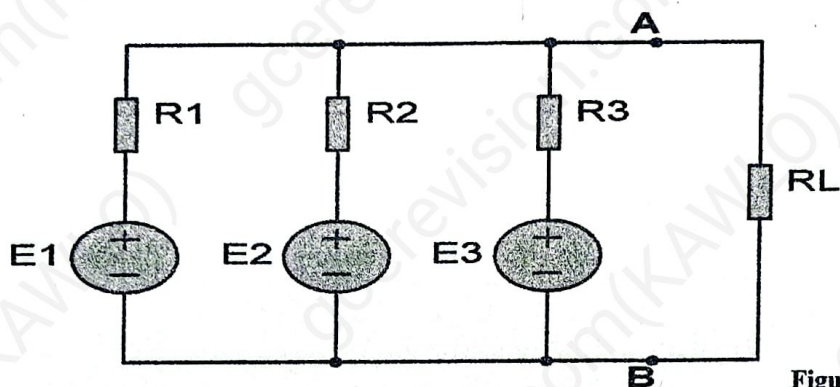


Figure 1

- 1.1 State milman's theorem. (3 marks)
- 1.2 Calculate the value of the Thevenin's equivalent voltage seen to the left of A – B terminals. (7 marks)
- 1.3 Calculate the value of the Thevenin's equivalent resistance seen to the left of A – B terminals. (6 marks)
- 1.4 Deduce the value of R_L required for maximum power to be transferred to the load. (3 marks)
- 1.5 Calculate the maximum load power. (6 marks)

(Total = 25 marks)

2. DIODE CIRCUIT

Figure 2 shows a diode circuit. The values of the circuit elements are $E = 15V$; $R_1 = 100\Omega$; $R_2 = 50\Omega$; $R_3 = 22\Omega$; the barrier potential of the diodes is $0.6V$.

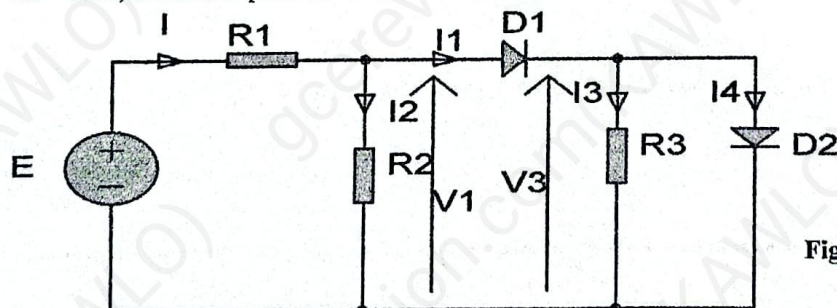


Figure 2

- 2.1 Draw the equivalent model of the diode when it is forward biased. (4 marks)
- 2.2 If the two diodes are conducting, find:
 - 2.2.1 the voltage V_3 , (2 marks)
 - 2.2.2 the voltage V_1 , (2 marks)
 - 2.2.3 the values of the currents I_3 and I_2 . (5 marks)
 - 2.2.4 the values of the currents I , I_1 and I_4 . (6 marks)
- 2.3 If $E = -10V$,
 - 2.3.1 What is the state of the diodes? (2 marks)
 - 2.3.2 Calculate the values of the currents I_2 and I . (4 marks)

(Total = 25 marks)

3. FIELD EFFECT TRANSISTOR

Consider figure 3 below. The quiescent point lies mid-way the load line; $I_{DSS} = 15\text{mA}$; $V_{GS(OFF)} = -8\text{V}$; $R_G = 1\text{M}\Omega$.

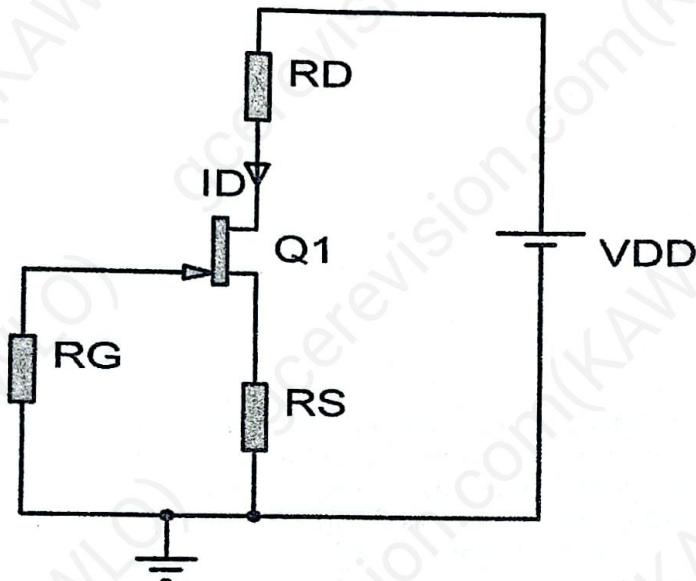


Figure 3

- 3.1 Identify the type of transistor biasing used in figure 3. (2 marks)
- 3.2 Name two other types of biasing circuits. (2 marks)
- 3.3 Determine the quiescent gate – source voltage V_{GSQ} . (3 marks)
- 3.4 Determine the quiescent drain current I_{DQ} . (2 marks)
- 3.5 Write the expression for R_S and calculate its value. (3 marks)
- 3.6 Write the expression for R_D and calculate its value. (3 marks)
- 3.7 Calculate the power P_T dissipated by the transistor. (4 marks)
- 3.8 Identify, with justification, the operating mode of the transistor. (4 marks)
- 3.9 Give two applications of junction field effect transistor (2 marks)

(Total = 25 marks)

4. OPERATIONAL AMPLIFIER

The operational amplifier used in figure 4 is ideal. The circuit parameters are $R_1 = 56\text{K}\Omega$, $R_F = 560\text{K}\Omega$, $R_3 = 120\text{K}\Omega$, $R_4 = 12\text{K}\Omega$.

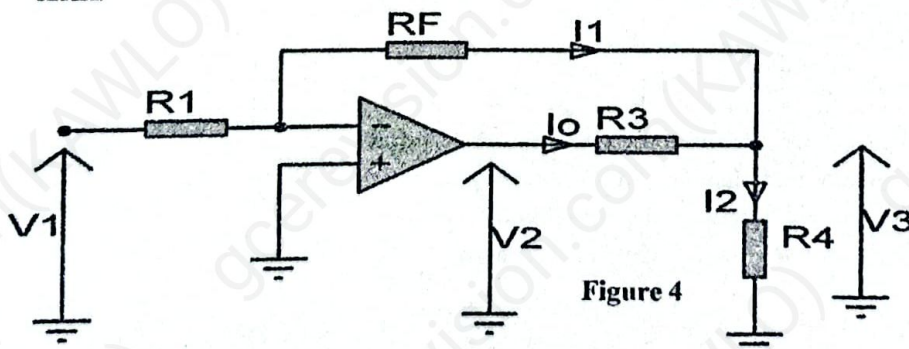


Figure 4

- 4.1 Identify the operating mode of the operational amplifier used in figure 4. Explain your answer. (3 marks)
- 4.2 Write the expression of the voltage at the inverting input v_- of the OPAM in terms of V_1 and V_3 . (4 marks)
- 4.3 Deduce the voltage gain $A_v = \frac{v_2}{V_1}$ of the operational amplifier circuit. (3 marks)
- 4.4 Deduce the name of the circuit implemented in figure 4. (2 marks)
- 4.5 If $V_1 = 4\text{V}$, find:

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- 4.5.1 The current I_1 (3 marks)
 4.5.2 The voltage V_3 . (3 marks)
 4.5.3 The current I_2 . (3 marks)
 4.5.4 The current I_0 (3 marks)
 (Total = 25 marks)

SECTION B: DIGITAL ELECTRONICS

Answer one question in this section

5. Combinational logic

5.1 Perform the following conversions

- a. $10010101.10_2 = (\text{-----})_{10}$ (2 marks)
 b. $374_8 = (\text{-----})_{16}$ (2 marks)
 c. $3AB.1_{16} = (\text{-----})_2$ (2 marks)

5.2 Add the following BCD numbers:

- a. $00011000 + 00010001$ (2 marks)
 b. $01100100 + 00110011$ (2 marks)

5.3 In a certain chemical-processing plant, a liquid chemical is used in a manufacturing process.

The chemical is stored in three different tanks. A level sensor in each tank produces a HIGH voltage when the level of chemical in the tank drops below a specified point. The sensors are labeled X, Y and Z. The output F of the chemical processing plant goes HIGH when at least two of the level sensors produces a high voltage. A high voltage represents a logic 1.

- a. Construct the truth table of the system. (4 marks)
 b. Give the sum – of – product expression of the output F. (2 marks)
 c. Use karnaugh map to simplify F. (4 marks)
 d. Draw the logic circuit of the simplified output using two inputs NAND gates. (5 marks)

Total = 25 marks

6. Sequential logic

6.1 When is a JK flip flop said to be operating in the toggle mode? (3 marks)

6.2 Why are some flip flops described as asynchronous? (2 marks)

6.3 Consider the circuit of figure 6 below.

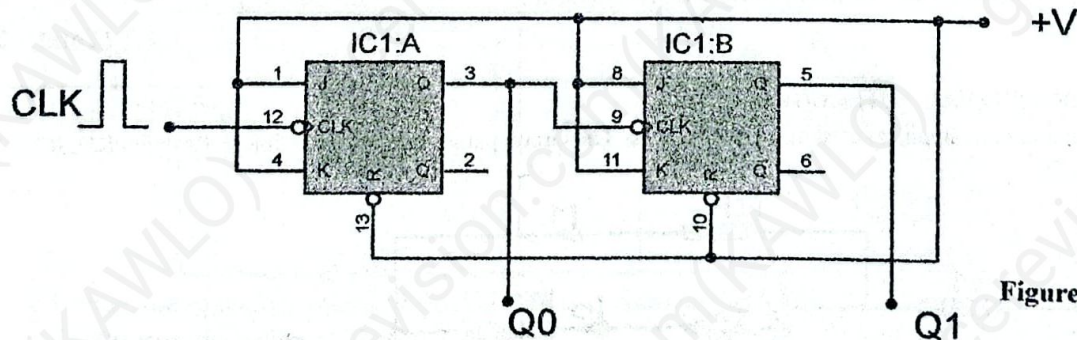


Figure 6

- 6.3.1 Identify the type of counter implemented in figure 6. (2 marks)
 6.3.2 Identify the operating mode of the flip flops used in this system. (2 marks)
 6.3.3 What is the state of the asynchronous inputs of this counter? (2 marks)
 6.3.4 Draw the timing diagram of the counter. (4 marks)
 6.3.5 Construct the truth table of the counter. (6 marks)
 6.3.6 Deduce the MOD number of the counter. (2 marks)
 6.3.7 If the frequency of the clock signal is 32KHz, find:
 6.3.7.1 the frequency at Q0 output, (4 marks)
 6.3.7.2 the frequency at Q1 output, (3 marks)

(Total = 25 marks)