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(A Constituent College of Jomo Kenyatta University of Agriculture and Technology)
SCHOOL OF ENGINEERING AND TECHNOLOGY
DEPARTMENT OF ELECTRICAL AND ELECTRONICS ENGINEERING
DIPLOMA IN ELECTRICAL POWER SYSTEMS ENGINEERING
MAIN EXAMINATION

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SEMESTER: II
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UNIT: ANALOGUE ELECTRONICS I
UNIT CODE: SEE 1105

DATE: 22ND APRIL 2015

TIME: 2 HOURS

Instructions to candidates:

This paper contains **FOUR (4)** questions.

Answer **QUESTION ONE** and **ANY OTHER TWO** questions.

You should have the following for this examination;

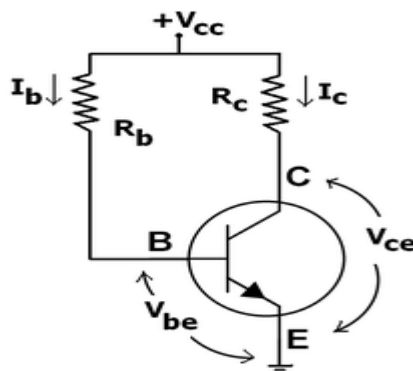
- Answer booklet
- Scientific calculator

NB: NO MOBILE PHONES ALLOWED IN THE EXAMINATION ROOM.

Section A

QUESTION ONE (compulsory)

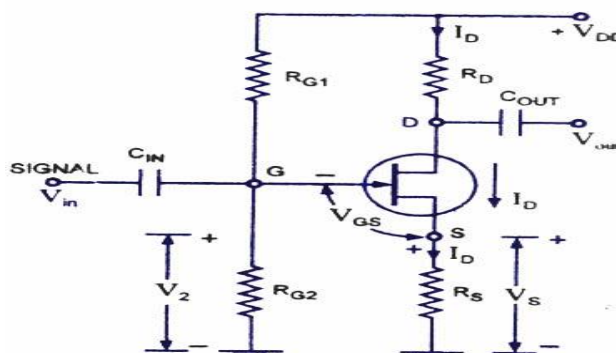
- (a) Distinguish between drift current and diffusion current. (2 marks)
- (b) Define the term ripple factor. Show that the ripple factor of a full wave rectifier is 0.48. (5 marks)
- (c) Using biasing circuits, briefly explain the following:
 - i. Forward bias
 - ii. Reverse bias(6 marks)
- (d) Briefly describe the construction of an Enhancement only-MOSFET. (4 marks)
- (e) Explain how the drain current is controlled in n-channel JFETs. (2 marks)
- (f) State two advantages of FETs over bipolar transistors. (2 marks)
- (g) Explain any three uses of cathode ray oscilloscope (CRO). (3 marks)
- (h) The diagram below shows a bipolar transistor in the base bias (fixed bias) operating mode. Given that $\beta=100$, $V_{cc}=10\text{ V}$, $R_b=910\text{K}$, $R_c=4.7\text{k}$ and $V_{be}=0.7\text{V}$, calculate:
 - I. Base current, I_b .
 - II. Collector current, I_c .
 - III. Collector voltage, V_c .(6 marks)



Section B

QUESTION TWO

- (a) Use the energy band theory to distinguish between conductors, semi-conductors and insulators (9 marks)
- (b) Determine the bias current I_D for the circuit shown below. Take $V_{DD} = +16\text{ V}$, $R_{G1} = 2.1\text{ M}\Omega$, $R_{G2} = 270\text{ k}\Omega$, $R_D = 2.4\text{ k}\Omega$, $R_S = 1.5\text{ k}\Omega$, $I_{DSS} = 8\text{ mA}$, $V_P = -4\text{ V}$. (8 marks)



Potential-Divider Bias Circuit For N-Channel JFET

- (c) Using first principles, show that $\beta = \alpha / (1 - \alpha)$. (3 marks)

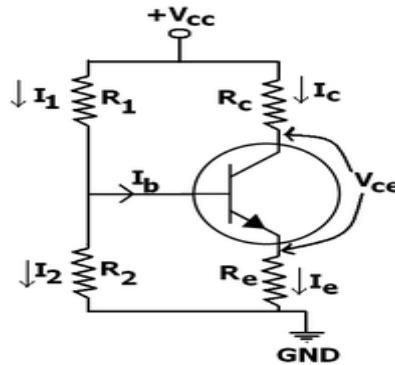
QUESTION THREE

- (a) Define the following terms:
 - i. Q-point
 - ii. Hall effect
 - iii. Carrier lifetime(3 marks)
- (b) Draw a bridge rectifier circuit and explain how it works. (7 marks)

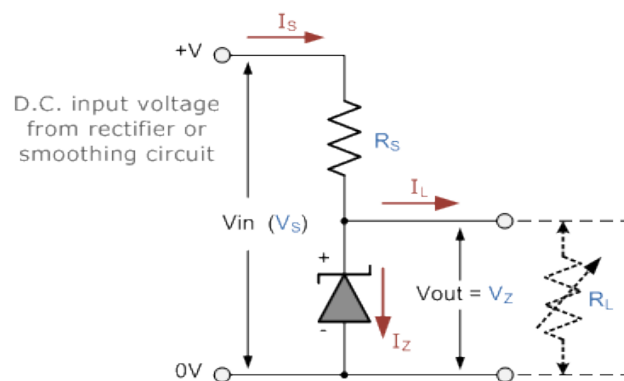
- (c) Draw the collector characteristics of a CE transistor configuration and show all operating regions. State the application of the transistor in each region. **(6 marks)**
- (d) Determine the drain current (I_D) and transconductance (g_m) of an n-channel JFET having a pinch-off voltage, $V_P = -4V$ and drain-source saturation current $I_{DSS} = 12mA$ at a gate-source voltage, $V_{GS} = 0V$. **(4 marks)**

QUESTION FOUR

- (a) Calculate the dc bias voltage V_{ce} and collector current I_c for the circuit shown below. Take $V_{cc} = +22 V$, $R_1 = 39 k\Omega$, $R_2 = 3.9 k\Omega$, $R_c = 10 k\Omega$, $R_e = 1.5 k\Omega$ and $\beta = 140$. **(10 marks)**



- (b) Define the following terms:
 - i. Breakdown voltage
 - ii. Peak inverse voltage **(2 marks)**
- (c) A 5.0v stabilized power supply is required from a 12v D.C. input source. The maximum power rating of the Zener diode is 2W. Using the circuit diagram below of a Zener diode stabilizer, calculate:
 - i. The maximum current flowing in the Zener diode, I_z .
 - ii. The value of the series Resistor, R_s .
 - iii. The load current, I_L if a load resistor of $1k\Omega$ is connected across the Zener diode.
 - iv. The total supply current, I_s .



(8 marks)