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Electronics I Final
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2. For multiple choice, select correct answer or answers.

3. There are BONUS points available at the end in addition to the core questions.

I. Electronics: Diodes

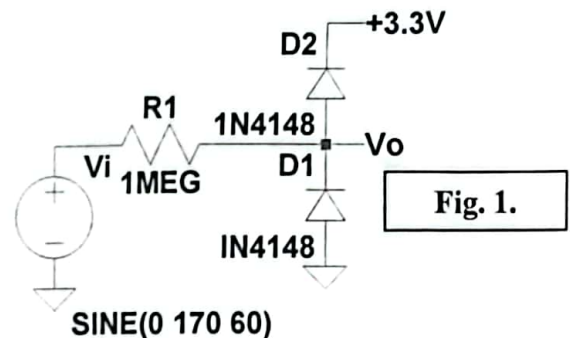
Diodes are the fundamental starting point for electronics since they represent a simple 2-terminal device based on a junction between two different materials. For a typical Si diode, the two materials are p-type and n-type doped Si.

A. Si Diodes (Circle correct answer or correct answers.)

1. (4 pts) Typical V_T at room temperature (25°C)
 - (a) 10 mV
 - ☒ (b) 25 mV
 - (c) 35 mV
 - (d) 0.7 V
2. (4 pts) The diode equation expresses I_D as $f(I_s, V_D, V_T)$; which statements are true?
 - (a) I_D increases as T increases
 - ☒ (b) I_D decreases as T increases
 - ☒ (c) I_D increases as V_D increases
 - (d) I_D decreases as V_D increases
3. (4 pts) Typical V_F
 - (a) 500 mV
 - ☒ (b) 700 mV
 - (c) 1.2 V

B. Diode applications

4. (4 pts) The function of the diode circuit shown in Fig. 1 with a 125Vrms 60Hz sine wave input:
 - (a) Half-wave rectifier
 - (b) Full-wave rectifier
 - (c) Doubler
 - ☒ (d) Asymmetric clamp
5. (4 pts) The most positive voltage of the input waveform is
 - (a) +202 V
 - ☒ (b) +176.7 V (Note: $\sqrt{2} * 125 = 176.7$, but SPICE sim was done with 170 peak)
 - (c) +125.0 V
 - (d) 88.4 V
6. (4 pts) The most positive voltage at V_o is
 - (a) +5 V
 - ☒ (b) +4 V
 - (c) +3.3 V
 - (d) +0.7 V
7. (4 pts) The most negative voltage at V_o is
 - (a) -5 V
 - (b) -4 V
 - (c) -3.3 V
 - ☒ (d) -0.7 V



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8. (4 pts) The previous circuit could be redesigned to achieve the same function using a single

- (a) Schottky diode
- (b) Zener diode
- (c) Germanium diode
- (d) PIN diode

II. Electronics: BJTs

A. Basic BJT behavior

9. (4 pts) In Saturation the Base-Emitter junction is

- (a) Forward-Biased
- (b) Reverse-Biased
- (c) Unbiased

10. (4 pts) In Cut-off, the Base-Collector junction is

- (a) Forward-Biased
- (b) Reverse-Biased
- (c) Unbiased

11. (4 pts) Collector current, i_c is related to base current, i_B by

- (a) $i_c = i_B$
- (b) $i_c = \beta i_B$
- (c) $i_c = i_B / \beta$
- (d) $i_c = \beta^2 i_B$

B. BJT Applications

12. (4 pts) BJTs used as logic switches are designed to be in only two states:

- (a) Active and Saturation
- (b) Active and Cut-Off
- (c) Saturation and Cut-Off

13. (4 pts) For the "Emitter Follower" (also termed "Common Collector") circuit shown in Fig. 2, a Q point can be established to ensure that the output will not be distorted for a 1 Vpp (peak-to-peak) sine wave input at 100kHz for values of

- (a) $R_2 = 1k\Omega$, $R_3 = 100\Omega$
- (b) $R_2 = 50k\Omega$, $R_3 = 50k\Omega$
- (c) $R_2 = 50k\Omega$, $R_3 = 5k\Omega$

III. Electronics: MOSFETs

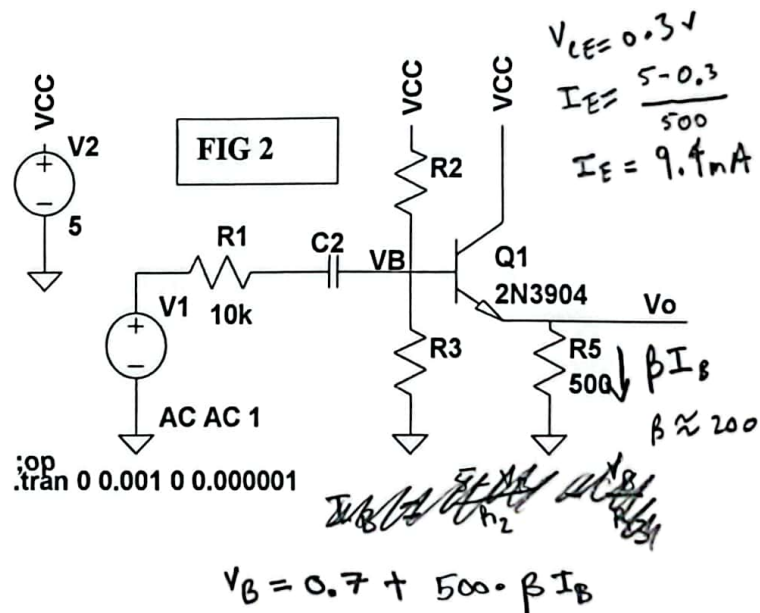
A. MOSFET Basics

14. (4 pts) The three regimes of MOSFET operation include

- (a) Saturation
- (b) Active
- (c) Triode
- (d) Cut-Off

15. (4 pts) The expression for K for a MOSFET is a function of

- (a) μ_n , electron mobility
- (b) Geometry (Width, Length)
- (c) C_{ox} , gate oxide capacitance
- (d) V_A , Early voltage



16. (4 pts) The expression for g_m for a MOSFET is $2K(V_{GS}-V_T)$. If $K = 0.125 \text{ mA/V}^2$, $V_{GS} = 4.5 \text{ V}$, and $V_T = 1.5 \text{ V}$, compute g_m
- (a) $g_m = 0.75 \text{ mA/V}$
 (b) $g_m = 7.5 \text{ mA/V}$
 (c) $g_m = 75 \text{ mA/V}$

17. (4 pts) When V_{ds} is very small, i_D can be expressed as $i_D = K[2(V_{GS}-V_T)V_{DS}]$

(a) TRUE
 (b) FALSE

18. (4 pts) For the basic MOSFET model, the controlled source is $g_m V_{GS}$ shunted with r_o . r_o is

(a) $r_o = V_{GS}/I_D$
 (b) $r_o = V_A/I_D$
 (c) $r_o = V_{DS}/I_D$

B. MOSFET Applications

19. (4 pts) For the Source-Follower (aka "Common Drain") amplifier constructed using an NMOS transistor shown in Fig. 3, what is the bias voltage on the Gate of the device for the supply voltage, V_2 , of 10V?

(a) 1 V
 (b) 4.3V
 (c) 5 V
 (d) 5.7 V

20. (4 pts) What is the approximate gain of the circuit? (A "follower" as the name implies, means the output should be close to the input magnitude.)

(a) 0.1 V/V
 (b) 1 V/V
 (c) 10 V/V
 (d) 100 V/V

21. (4 pts) What is the closest minimum value of C_1 that will both block dc and provide low loss (no more than -3dB attenuation) at 100kHz?

(a) $C_1 = 1 \text{ pF}$
 (b) $C_1 = 1 \text{ nF}$
 (c) $C_1 = 1 \text{ uF}$
 (d) $C_1 = 1000 \text{ uF}$

III. Systonix—the "System" of Electronics

A. Op amp and Feedback basics

22. (4 pts) Modern op amps are available with nearly ideal parameters such as

(a) $E_{os} \leq 100 \mu\text{V}$
 (b) $I_b \leq 10 \text{ pA}$
 (c) Unity gain bandwidth of 3 MHz
 (d) Dominant pole compensation near 100 Hz

23. (4 pts) The power of op amps is derived from trading excess open loop amplifier gain in closed-loop feedback topologies for behaviors defined by simple feedback elements.

(a) TRUE
 (b) FALSE

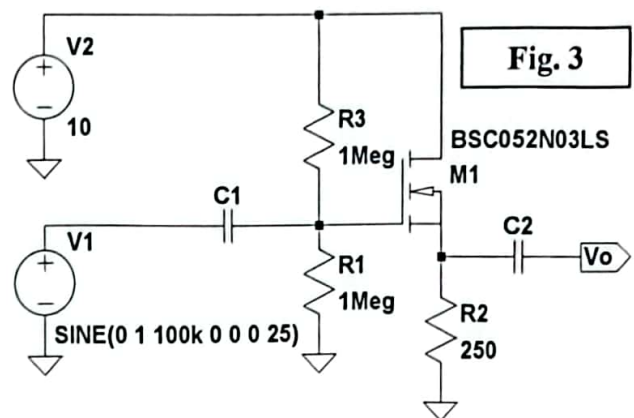


Fig. 3

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24. (4 pts) Among the advantages of employing negative feedback in an amplifier topology is/are:

- (a) Reduction in bandwidth
- ☒ (b) Increase in bandwidth
- (c) Reduction in gain sensitivity
- ☒ (d) Reduction in nonlinearities

B. Op amp applications

Combining op amps with discrete electronic devices can create very useful circuit functions. A small-signal op amp ($I_{o,max} \leq 5\text{mA}$) is used in the circuit shown in Fig. 4 to drive a high-power LED, which requires I_F for the LED in the range of 15ma—50mA. The op amp is powered by +12V and GND.

25. (4 pts) What is the overall function of the circuit shown in Fig. 4?

- (a) Current-Controlled Voltage Source (CCVS)
- (b) Bias current compensator
- ☒ (c) Voltage-Controlled Current Source (VCCS)
- (d) Low-pass filter

26. (4 pts) If V_C is set to 4V, What is I_F through the LED?

- (a) 4000mA
- (b) 400mA
- ☒ (c) 40mA
- (d) 4mA

27. (4 pts) The purpose of Q1 is to

- ☒ (a) Provide current gain
- (b) Increase bandwidth
- (c) Control temperature
- (d) Nothing—it has no purpose, the circuit would work just as well without it.

C. Systems Concepts and Tools

28. (4 pts) Bode plots provide a convenient way to graphically represent the steady-state frequency response behavior (magnitude and phase) of a transfer function

- ☒ (a) TRUE
- (b) FALSE

29. (4 pts) The Bode plot for a constant gain, K , is

- ☒ (a) $20\text{Log}_{10}|K|$
- (b) $10\text{Log}_{10}|K|$
- (c) $20\text{Log}_{10}|K^{-1}|$

30. (4 pts) The Bode plot magnitude response for a pole—e.g., $H(j\omega) = 1/(1+j\omega/\omega_0)$ has

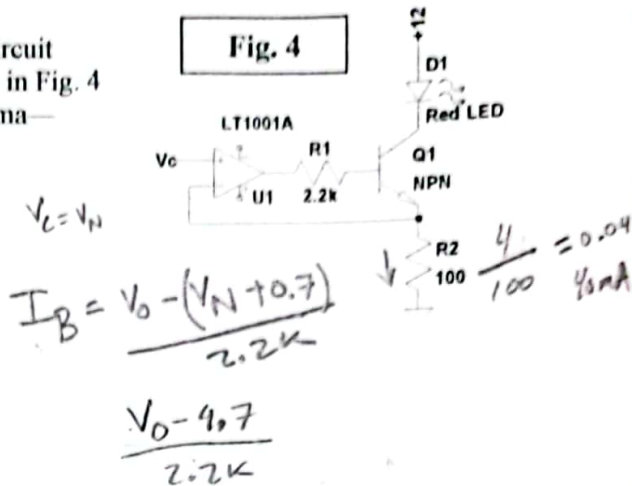
- (a) 0dB loss and 0° phase shift at $\omega = 0.01\omega_0$
- (b) 0dB loss and 0° phase shift at $\omega = 100\omega_0$
- (c) -40dB loss and -90° phase shift at $\omega = 100\omega_0$
- ☒ (d) -3dB loss and -45° phase shift at $\omega = \omega_0$

31. (4 pts) A good starting point for selecting a bulk capacitor is

- (a) $1\mu\text{F}$
- ☒ (b) $10\mu\text{F}$ per 100mA, with minimum of $10\mu\text{F}$
- (c) $0.01\mu\text{F}$

32. (4 pts) Bypass capacitors should be

- (a) Left out—"Muntzed"—from a circuit because they are unnecessary
- (b) Typically $0.1\mu\text{F}$ at each digital device supply pin
- ☒ (c) Typically $0.01\mu\text{F}$ at each analog device supply pin
- (d) Grouped tightly together in one corner of a circuit board as far from ICs as possible



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33. (4 pts) Principles of good electronic interconnect to minimize effects of transmitted/received noise include
- (a) Lead wires positioned to maximize loop area
 - ☒ (b) Twisted lead wires to minimize loop area
 - (c) Use of shielded cables
 - (d) Use of metal—or metalized--enclosures
34. (4 pts) A first step in thermal management of electronic systems is to model the system as power sources combined with thermal resistances to an ambient thermal sink.
- ☒ (a) TRUE
 - (b) FALSE
35. (4 pts) A Si power MOSFET has a $T_{\theta J-Case}$ of 1.0°C/W and a $T_{\theta Case-Ambient}$ of 15°C/W . If the device is operated at 10W in an ambient temperature, T_A , environment, determine the device junction temperature rise above T_A .
- (a) 100°C
 - (b) 10°C
 - ☒ (c) 150°C
 - (d) 160°C
36. (4 pts) Good grounding practices help ensure minimum noise in systems with different subsystems including safety, analog, digital, and power. What are some practical grounding strategies you would employ for best results?
- ☒ (a) Star topology – Every ground point has a direct connection to every other ground point
 - (b) Bus topology – Like devices share a common bus
 - (c) Single point ground – Every type of ground is finally connected to a single point
 - ☒ (d) Hybrid – A mixture of grounding strategies is employed
37. (4 pts) Use of a shield can minimize coupling of stray electromagnetic fields.
- ☒ (a) TRUE
 - (b) FALSE

IV. Electronic Systems

In the end, the true power of electronics occurs when useful system-level and subsystem-level functions are implemented by combining many electronic components and concepts.

For the provided Macroelectronic circuit schematic, answer the following questions:

Circuit #1, Power Supply, Notes:

1. This is an example circuit patterned after a 20th-Century power supply (Tektronix)—only the positive side of the circuit is shown.
2. The raw dc input voltages to the power supply are +33V and +11.5V.
3. The output voltage, V_{out} , is adjustable over a limited range using a potentiometer (R15 on the schematic).

38. (4 pts) VR10 is what type of diode?
- (a) Schottky
 - (b) Signal
 - (c) Rectifier
 - ☒ (d) Zener
39. (4 pts) What does the combination of R10 and VR10 do?
- (a) Ensure that the 11.5V supply rail does not go negative
 - ☒ (b) Amplify the 11.5V supply rail
 - (c) Serve as a shunt regulator to supply approximately 5.1V to the non-inverting input of U10

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40. (4 pts) What is the current flowing through R10?

- (a) 1A
- (b) 7.4mA
- ☒ (c) 0.3mA
- (d) 2μA

41. (4 pts) Assuming the output voltage, V_{out} , has been adjusted to +15V, what current will flow through R11?

- (a) 99mA
- (b) 67mA
- (c) 9.9mA
- ☒ (d) 6.7mA

42. (4 pts) What amplifier topology is U10 and its associated components?

- (a) Op amp used as inverting amplifier
- ☒ (b) Op amp used as non-inverting amplifier
- (c) Op amp used as comparator
- (d) Op amp used as precision rectifier

43. (4 pts) What gain equation describes U10 with its associated components?

- (a) $-(R13+R15)/R12$
- (b) $+(R13+R15)/R12$
- ☒ (c) $+ \{1 + (R13+R15)/R12\}$
- (d) $-R16/R12$

44. (4 pts) What is the total resistance adjustment range possible with the combination R13 + R15?

- (a) Fixed at 7.5kΩ
- (b) Varies from 2.5kΩ up to 7.5kΩ
- ☒ (c) Varies from 7.5kΩ up to 12.5kΩ
- (d) Can't be determined since it depends on the bias point of M10

45. (4 pts) What is the total adjustment range for V_{out} as R15 is adjusted over its full range of 0-5kΩ?

- (a) 5.1VDC to 7.6VDC
- (b) 0 to 15.5VDC
- ☒ (c) 12.75VDC to 17.85VDC
- (d) -5VDC to +5VDC

46. (4 pts) Q11 serves as an over-current detector. What is the minimum value of output load current that will cause Q11 to turn on and thereby turn off M10?

- ☒ (a) 100mA
- (b) 700mA
- (c) 1A
- (d) 10A

47. (4 pts) When the circuit is current limiting, what is the approximate V_{gs} of M10?

- (a) 15.0V
- (b) 10V
- (c) 0.7V
- ☒ (d) 0.2V

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