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EC 21201 (Basic Electronics)

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**PART A: (Question for 1<sup>st</sup> year Students only)**

Answer All Questions.

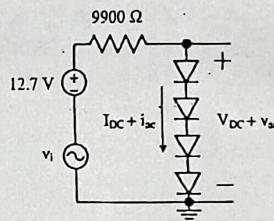
**PART A**

Q1. (a) A n-type Silicon bar is 2 cm long and has a cross-section of  $2\text{mm} \times 2\text{mm}$ . When a 1 V battery is connected across it, a current of 8 mA flows. Find (i) doping concentration and (ii) drift velocity. Assume mobility of electron is  $1300\text{cm}^2/\text{V} - \text{sec}$ . [5]

(b) The electron concentration in Silicon is given by  $n(x) = 10^2 + 10^{18} \exp(-x/L_n)$  for  $(x \geq 0)$  in which  $L_n = 20\text{ }\mu\text{m}$ . If electron diffusion coefficient is  $D_n = 30\text{ cm}^2/\text{s}$ , determine the electron diffusion current density  $J_n$  in  $\text{A}/\text{cm}^2$  at (i)  $x = 0$ , (ii)  $x = 20\text{ }\mu\text{m}$  and (iii)  $x = 30\text{ }\mu\text{m}$ . Draw an approximate plot of electron concentration versus distance, showing the direction of electron diffusion and electron diffusion current density. [5]

Q2. (a) Assume a piecewise linear model of pn junction diode in which the cut-in voltage  $V_f = 0.6\text{ V}$  and forward diode resistance  $r_f = 20\text{ }\Omega$ . Consider a pn junction diode in series with an  $8\text{ K}\Omega$  resistor and 5 V power supply. Draw the circuit first. Next, calculate diode voltage  $V_D$  (in Volt), diode current  $I_D$  (in mA) and power dissipated in diode  $P_D$  (in mW). Draw the diode piecewise equivalent circuits when  $V_D \geq V_f$  and when  $V_D < V_f$ . [5]

(b) In the circuit shown below, assume that the voltage drop across a forward biased diode is 0.7 V. The thermal voltage  $V_T = \frac{kT}{q} = 25\text{ mV}$  at  $T=300\text{ K}$ . The small signal input  $v_i = 100 \cos(\omega t)\text{ mV}$ . Find the (i) bias current  $I_{DC}$  through the diodes and (ii) ac output voltage  $v_{ac}$ . Consider emission coefficient or ideality factor = 1 and diode forward resistance = 0. [5]



Q3. Design an energy efficient diode bridge rectifier based power supply with filter capacitor for the following specifications:

Input ac voltage: 230 V (rms), 50 Hz

Output voltage: 9 V (peak)

Load current variation: 0 to 120 mA

Output ripple voltage: 10% of peak output voltage

Use silicon diode (cut-in voltage = 0.7 V), transformer and necessary filter circuit.

(a) Draw the necessary circuit diagram. [3]

(b) Calculate the turns ratio of the transformer, PIV of diode, and the value of filter capacitor. [7]

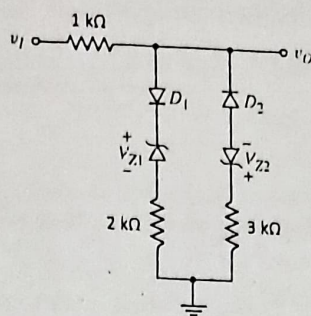
Q4. Consider the circuit as shown in Figure below where the cut-in voltage of the silicon diode is 0.7V. The voltages of two Zener diodes ( $V_{Z1}$  and  $V_{Z2}$ ) are 3V and 6V, respectively. The resistances of two Zener diodes are assumed to be zero.

(a) Find three expressions of output voltages ( $v_o$ ) for three different operating ranges only in terms of input voltage ( $v_i$ ) when the input voltage varies from  $-15\text{ V}$  to  $+15\text{ V}$ . [8]

(b) Draw the plot of output voltage versus input voltage when the input voltage varies from  $-15\text{ V}$  to  $+15\text{ V}$ . [2]

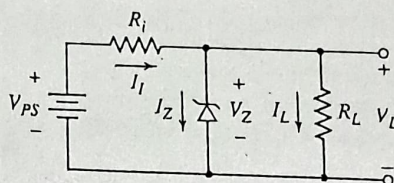


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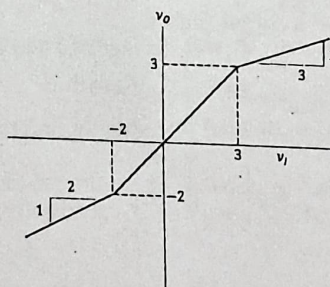
Q5. Consider the circuit shown in Figure below where the input voltage ( $V_{PS}$ ) varies from 8 V to 10V and the Zener diode voltage ( $V_Z$ ) is 6 V. The load resistance ( $R_L$ ) can vary from  $200\ \Omega$  to  $100\ \Omega$ . The minimum value of Zener current ( $I_Z$ ) can be considered as one-tenth of the maximum value of  $I_Z$ .

- Calculate the maximum value of  $R_i$  so that the load voltage ( $V_L$ ) remains constant at 6V for all possible values of  $R_L$  and  $V_{PS}$  within the specified range and find the maximum power dissipated by the Zener diode. [6]
- Calculate the minimum value of  $R_i$  so that the power dissipated by Zener diode never exceeds 0.5 W for all possible values of  $R_L$  and  $V_{PS}$  within the specified range. [4]



Q6. Design a circuit using diodes (with cut-in voltage  $V_Y = 0.7\text{ V}$ ) and Zener diodes with appropriate breakdown voltages to provide the voltage transfer characteristic shown below.

- Draw the complete circuit diagram. [3]
- Find the breakdown voltages of the Zener diodes. [3]
- Find the relations of the required resistances in the circuit. [4]





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**PART B: (Question for 2<sup>nd</sup> year Students only)**

**PART B**

**Instructions:**

- Answer All Questions. All waveform sketches / diagrams must be neatly drawn and clearly labeled.
- The final answers (numerical values with unit) should be underlined or enclosed within box with unit.
- Avoid writing answers of the various parts of a single question at different locations in your answer-script.
- If not explicitly mentioned in the question, (please assume) Thermal voltage (at room temperature) – 26 mV
- Any value related to any device/ circuit parameter, which you may find not given, assume suitable value for such parameters.

1. (A) Two semiconductor materials have exactly the same properties except that material A<sub>0</sub> has a bandgap of 1 eV and material A<sub>1</sub> has a bandgap energy of 1.2 eV. What is the ratio of intrinsic concentration of material A<sub>0</sub> to material A<sub>1</sub> at 27° Celsius? ( $T=300\text{K}$  and Boltzmann's constant:  $86 \times 10^{-6} \text{ eV/K}$ ) [5]
- (B) Assume electronic charge  $q = 1.6 \times 10^{-19} \text{ C}$ ,  $KT/q = 25 \text{ mV}$  and electron mobility,  $\mu_n = 1250 \text{ cm}^2/\text{V} \cdot \text{s}$ . If the concentration gradient of electrons injected into a p-type silicon sample is  $-1 \times 10^{21} / \text{cm}^4$ , What is the magnitude of electron diffusion current density (in  $\text{A/cm}^2$ )? [5]

2. (A)

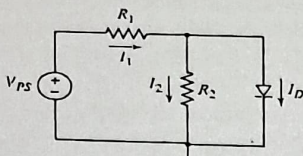


Fig 2(A)

A circuit contains a diode with cut-in voltage  $V_D = 0.7 \text{ V}$ . The diode is to remain biased "on" for a power supply voltage in the range  $6 \leq V_{PS} \leq 12 \text{ V}$ . The minimum diode current is to be  $I_{D(\min)} = 3 \text{ mA}$ . The maximum power dissipated in the diode is to be no more than  $15 \text{ mWatt}$ . Determine appropriate values of  $R_1$  and  $R_2$ . [5]

(B)

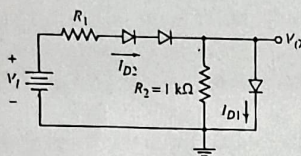


Fig 2(B)

Assume each diode in the circuit shown has a cut-in voltage of  $V_D = 0.65 \text{ V}$ . Resistor  $R_2$  is  $1 \text{ k}\Omega$ . Determine the appropriate values of  $R_1$  and the currents  $I_{D1}$  and  $I_{D2}$ . Let input voltage be  $V_I = 5 \text{ V}$ . What is the value of  $R_1$  required such that  $I_{D1}$  is one-half the value of  $I_{D2}$ ? Also, determine the values of  $I_{D1}$  and  $I_{D2}$ . [5]

3. (A) The common-emitter current gain  $\beta$  for a bipolar junction transistor is given by
  - a.  $I_C/I_B$
  - b.  $I_B/I_C$
  - c.  $I_E/I_B$
  - d.  $I_B/I_E$
 [1]
- (B) In a bipolar transistor biased in the forward-active region, the base current is  $i_B = 2.8 \mu\text{A}$ , and the emitter current is  $i_E = 325 \mu\text{A}$ . The common-emitter current gain  $\beta$  and collector current  $i_C$  are given by
  - a.  $\beta = 115, i_C = 322.2 \mu\text{A}$
  - b.  $\beta = 100, i_C = 2.8 \mu\text{A}$
  - c.  $\beta = 50, i_C = 325 \mu\text{A}$
  - d.  $\beta = 120, i_C = 3.5 \mu\text{A}$
 [1]
- (C) The range of common-emitter current gain  $\beta$  for a particular type of transistor is  $110 \leq \beta \leq 180$ . Determine the corresponding range of common-base current gain  $\alpha$ .
  - a.  $0.8801 \leq \alpha \leq 0.8899$
  - b.  $0.9909 \leq \alpha \leq 0.9944$
  - c.  $0.7722 \leq \alpha \leq 0.7753$
  - d.  $0.6654 \leq \alpha \leq 0.6696$
 [1]
- (D) A bipolar transistor is biased in the forward-active mode. The emitter current  $i_E = 1.25 \text{ mA}$  and common-emitter current gain  $\beta = 150$ . Determine the base current  $i_B$ .
  - a.  $8.28 \mu\text{A}$
  - b.  $4.56 \mu\text{A}$
  - c.  $3.98 \mu\text{A}$
  - d.  $9.87 \mu\text{A}$
 [1]

(E)

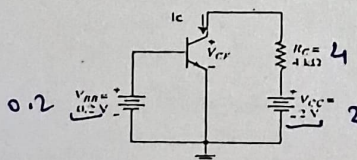


Fig 3(E)

For the transistor in the circuit Fig 3(E),  $\beta = 120$ ,  $V_{BE(on)} = 0.7 \text{ V}$ . Determine  $I_C$  and  $V_{CE}$ . [2]

- a.  $I_C = 0, V_{CE} = 0.2 \text{ V}$
- b.  $I_C = 0.2 \text{ mA}, V_{CE} = 2 \text{ V}$
- c.  $I_C = 0.5 \text{ mA}, V_{CE} = 3 \text{ V}$
- d.  $I_C = -0.5 \text{ mA}, V_{CE} = -1 \text{ V}$

- (F) A npn transistor has a common emitter current gain of  $\beta = 125$ . The transistor is biased at base-emitter voltage  $V_{BE} = 0.615 \text{ V}$ . Determine the base current  $i_B$ , and emitter current  $i_E$  by assuming  $I_s = 5 \times 10^{-15} \text{ A}$  (where  $I_s = i_c e^{-\frac{V_{BE}}{V_T}}$ ). [2]
  - a.  $i_B = 0.6889 \mu\text{A}, i_E = 78.95 \mu\text{A}$
  - b.  $i_B = 0.7495 \mu\text{A}, i_E = 94.44 \mu\text{A}$
  - c.  $i_B = 0.678 \mu\text{A}, i_E = 87.94 \mu\text{A}$
  - d.  $i_B = 0.967 \mu\text{A}, i_E = 56.98 \mu\text{A}$



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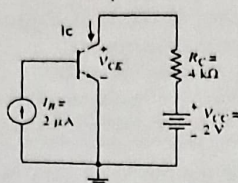


Fig 3(G)

For the transistor in Fig 3(G),  $\beta = 120$ . Determine  $I_C$  and  $V_{CE}$ . [2]

- $I_C = 0$ ,  $V_{CE} = 0.2$
- $I_C = 0.24$  mA,  $V_{CE} = 1.04$  V
- $I_C = 0.3$  mA,  $V_{CE} = 2.5$  V
- $I_C = 0.5$  mA,  $V_{CE} = 2$  V

4. (A)

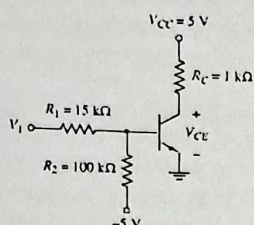


Fig 4(A)

Consider the circuit in Fig 4(A):

let  $\beta = 25$  and  $V_{BE(on)} = 0.7$  V for the transistor. Determine the range of  $V_i$  such that  $1.0\text{V} \leq V_{CE} \leq 4.5\text{V}$ . Sketch the load line and show the range of the Q-point values. [5]

(B) Consider the npn transistor circuit as shown in Fig 4(B):

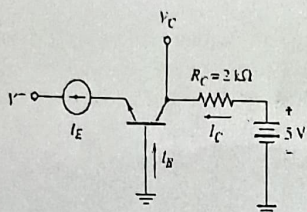


Fig 4(B)

(i) Let the common-emitter current gain of the transistor be  $\beta = 80$ . The emitter is driven by a constant-current source with  $I_E = 1.2$  mA. Determine  $I_B$ ,  $I_C$ ,  $V_C$ , and the common-base current gain  $\alpha$ . [2.5]

(ii) For the transistor,  $\alpha = 0.9910$ , and the emitter current in the circuit is  $I_E = 0.80$  mA. Determine base-emitter voltage  $V_{BE}$ , base current  $I_B$ , and collector current  $I_C$  by assuming the reverse saturation current for the base-emitter junction as  $I_{EO} = 5 \times 10^{-14}$  A. [2.5]

5. (A)

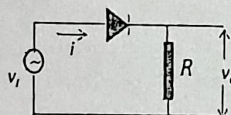


Fig 5(A)

For the circuit in Fig 5(A),  $v_i = 10 \sin \omega t$  V,  $R = 1$  k $\Omega$ ,  $V_\gamma = 0.6$  V and forward diode resistance  $r_f = 20$   $\Omega$ . (i) Find the average value of  $v_o$ . (ii) Determine the peak diode current (iii) What is the PIV of the diode? [3+1+1]

(B)

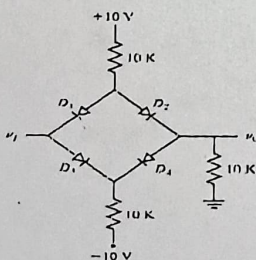


Fig 5(B)

In the circuit Fig 5(B), assume  $V = 0.7$  V for each diode in the circuit below. Plot  $v_o$  vs  $v_i$  for  $-10\text{V} \leq v_i \leq 10\text{V}$ . [5]

6. (A) A DC power supply (bridge rectifier & capacitor filter) to deliver an average power of 2 Watt to a cell phone with a voltage of 3.6V and a ripple of 0.2 V. Find the capacitor value of the filter and PIV of each diode (Assume,  $f = 50$  Hz,  $V_{D,on} = 0.8$  V). [3+2]

(B)

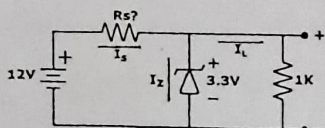


Fig 6(B)

In the circuit Fig 6(B), the Zener diode can handle up to 2 Watt power. Find the minimum value of  $R_s$ ? Find maximum current flow through Zener. [3+2]