



**AT 122 Midterm Exam**

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**GENERAL DIRECTION: READ AND ANSWER CAREFULLY**

**Test 1: Multiple choice:**

- Choose and encircle the best answer from the options provided (A, B, C, or D) for each question.
- There is only one correct answer for each question.

1. What is the function of a resistor in an electrical circuit?
  - a. Store electrical energy
  - b. Convert electrical energy to mechanical energy
  - c. Oppose the flow of current
  - d. Increase voltage
2. Which semiconductor device is commonly used as a switch or amplifier?
  - a. Resistor
  - b. Inductor
  - c. Transistor
  - d. Capacitor
3. Why does a capacitor block DC but allow AC to pass?
  - a. Because DC voltage is constant
  - b. Because AC voltage fluctuates
  - c. Due to the insulating properties of the dielectric
  - d. Because DC has higher energy than AC
4. What happens when the resistance in a circuit increases while the voltage remains constant?
  - a. The current increases
  - b. The current decreases
  - c. The power output increases
  - d. The frequency changes
5. If a 10V power supply is connected across a 5Ω resistor, what is the current flowing through the circuit?
  - a. 0.5A
  - b. 2A
  - c. 5A
  - d. 10A
6. A technician needs to increase the capacitance in a circuit. What should they do?
  - a. Use a lower-value capacitor
  - b. Use a capacitor with a higher voltage rating
  - c. Connect more capacitors in parallel
  - d. Connect more capacitors in series
7. A circuit contains a combination of resistors in parallel and series. If one resistor in the parallel section burns out, what will happen?
  - a. The total resistance decreases
  - b. The total resistance increases
  - c. The circuit will stop working completely
  - d. The voltage across the remaining resistors will decrease
8. Why does an inductor resist changes in current?
  - a. Because of its internal resistance
  - b. Due to the electromagnetic field it generates
  - c. Because it absorbs excess voltage
  - d. Due to its dielectric material
9. What is the main difference between a diode and a transistor?
  - a. A diode amplifies signals, while a transistor does not
  - b. A transistor can act as a switch and an amplifier, while a diode allows current in one direction only
  - c. A diode is used for power regulation, while a transistor is used for resistance control
  - d. A transistor is used for current rectification, while a diode is used for voltage stabilization
10. Which factor should be considered most important when selecting a power supply for an electronic circuit?
  - a. Voltage and current ratings
  - b. The physical size of the power supply
  - c. The number of output terminals
  - d. The manufacturer's brand
11. Design an LED circuit with a 12V power supply. What resistor value should you choose if the LED requires 20mA of current and has a voltage drop of 2V?
  - a. 100Ω

- d.  $10\Omega$
- 12. What is the main function of a multimeter?
  - a. To generate electrical signals
  - b. To measure electrical properties such as voltage, current, and resistance
  - c. To convert AC to DC
  - d. To store electrical energy
- 13. Why is it important to set the correct range before measuring voltage with a multimeter?
  - a. To prevent inaccurate readings and potential damage to the meter
  - b. To make the display brighter
  - c. To increase battery life of the multimeter
  - d. To reduce the resistance of the circuit
- 14. If you want to measure the resistance of a resistor using a multimeter, what should you do first?
  - a. Connect the multimeter in series with the resistor
  - b. Ensure the circuit is powered on for accurate readings
  - c. Set the multimeter to the resistance ( $\Omega$ ) setting and connect it across the resistor
  - d. Use the AC voltage setting for more precise results
- 15. A technician is testing a fuse with a multimeter. If the reading shows infinite resistance, what does this indicate?
  - a. The fuse is working properly
  - b. The fuse is blown and must be replaced
  - c. The multimeter is set to the wrong mode
  - d. The circuit is powered on
- 16. Which factor is most important when choosing a multimeter for automotive electrical testing?
  - a. The number of display digits
  - b. The type of probes included
  - c. The ability to measure both DC and AC voltage accurately
  - d. The color of the casing
- 17. You need to test whether a battery is still functional using a multimeter. How would you set up and conduct the test?
  - a. Set the multimeter to the DC voltage mode, place the probes on the battery terminals, and compare the reading to the battery's rated voltage
  - b. Set the multimeter to resistance mode and measure the battery's internal resistance
  - c. Use the AC voltage setting to check if the battery produces any current
  - d. Connect the multimeter in series with a load to test its power output
- 18. What is the primary function of a diode in an electrical circuit?
  - a. To amplify signals
  - b. To store electrical energy
  - c. To allow current to flow in one direction only
  - d. To generate voltage
- 19. Which of the following materials are commonly used to make diodes?
  - a. Copper and Aluminum
  - b. Silicon and Germanium
  - c. Iron and Zinc
  - d. Gold and Silver
- 20. Why does a diode conduct current in only one direction?
  - a. Because it has a metallic body
  - b. Due to the difference in resistance on both ends
  - c. Because of the PN junction, which allows current flow in forward bias but blocks it in reverse bias
  - d. Because it operates only in AC circuits
- 21. What happens when a diode is in reverse bias?
  - a. It conducts maximum current
  - b. It blocks current flow almost completely
  - c. It allows both AC and DC to pass
  - d. It reduces circuit resistance
- 22. If you want to check whether a diode is working using a multimeter, what setting should you use?
  - a. Voltage mode
  - b. Resistance mode
  - c. Diode test mode
  - d. Capacitance mode
- 23. A technician is designing a DC power supply using a rectifier circuit. What type of diode arrangement should be used for full-wave rectification?
  - a. A single diode in series with the load
  - b. A Zener diode for voltage regulation
  - c. A bridge rectifier made of four diodes
  - d. A photodiode for light detection
- 24. A bridge rectifier is built using four diodes. If one diode fails in an open condition, what effect will it have on the circuit?
  - a. The rectifier will still work perfectly
  - b. The rectifier will output half-wave instead of full-wave rectification



- a. A Zener diode conducts in forward bias only, while a regular diode works in both directions
  - b. A Zener diode is used for rectification, while a regular diode is used for voltage regulation
  - c. A Zener diode allows reverse current flow after a certain voltage, while a regular diode does not
  - d. A Zener diode produces light, while a regular diode does not
26. A Schottky diode is often used in high-frequency circuits. What characteristic makes it suitable for such applications?
- a. Its ability to conduct in reverse bias
  - b. Its very low forward voltage drop and fast switching speed
  - c. Its ability to store electrical charge for a long time
  - d. Its capacity to convert AC to DC without rectification
27. Which type of diode would be most suitable for protecting a circuit from voltage spikes?
- a. Light Emitting Diode (LED)
  - b. Zener Diode
  - c. Schottky Diode
  - d. TVS (Transient Voltage Suppression) Diode
28. You need to design a simple LED indicator circuit powered by a 12V power supply. What resistor value should you choose to protect the LED, assuming the LED requires 20mA of current and has a voltage drop of 2V?
- a. 100 $\Omega$
  - b. 200 $\Omega$
  - c. 500 $\Omega$
  - d. 10 $\Omega$
29. What is the primary function of a resistor in an electrical circuit?
- a. To store electrical energy
  - b. To oppose the flow of electric current
  - c. To amplify signals
  - d. To convert AC to DC
30. Why does increasing the resistance in a circuit decrease the current flow?
- a. Because resistance reduces voltage
  - b. Because resistance absorbs current
  - c. Because Ohm's Law states that current is inversely proportional to resistance
  - d. Because resistance converts current into energy
31. A 9V battery is connected to a 1.8k $\Omega$  resistor. Using Ohm's Law, what is the current flowing through the circuit?
- a. 0.005A (5mA)
  - b. 0.05A (50mA)
  - c. 0.5A (500mA)
  - d. 5A
32. A circuit contains a series and parallel combination of resistors. If one resistor in the parallel section burns out (open circuit), what effect does this have on the total resistance?
- a. The total resistance decreases
  - b. The total resistance increases
  - c. The total resistance remains the same
  - d. The circuit will stop working entirely
33. Which type of resistor would be best suited for high-power applications where heat dissipation is a concern?
- a. Carbon film resistor
  - b. Metal oxide resistor
  - c. Wire-wound resistor
  - d. Variable resistor
34. You need to design an LED circuit using a 12V power supply. If the LED requires 20mA of current and has a voltage drop of 2V, what resistor value should you use to ensure safe operation?
- a. 100 $\Omega$
  - b. 200 $\Omega$
  - c. 500 $\Omega$
  - d. 10 $\Omega$
35. What is the primary function of a transistor in an electrical circuit?
- a. To store electrical energy
  - b. To control the flow of current as a switch or amplifier
  - c. To convert AC to DC
  - d. To provide resistance in a circuit
36. Why does a transistor require a small current at the base to control a larger current between the collector and emitter?
- a. Because it acts as a variable resistor
  - b. Because it operates as a current-controlled device
  - c. Because it stores energy like a capacitor
  - d. Because it blocks current flow in both directions
37. A technician wants to use a transistor to amplify a weak signal. Which transistor configuration should they use?
- a. Common emitter
  - b. Common base
  - c. Common collector
  - d. Parallel circuit

- b. The collector-emitter voltage is too high
  - c. There is no current flowing into the base
  - d. The transistor is in saturation mode
- 39. Which type of transistor would be best suited for high-frequency switching applications?
  - a. Bipolar Junction Transistor (BJT)
  - b. Field-Effect Transistor (FET)
  - c. Metal-Oxide-Semiconductor Field-Effect Transistor (MOSFET)
  - d. Light Emitting Transistor (LET)
- 40. You need to design a simple LED control circuit using a transistor. How should you connect the transistor to allow the LED turn on and off using a small control signal?
  - a. Connect the LED directly to the power source
  - b. Place the transistor in series with the LED and control the base current with a resistor
  - c. Use a capacitor to store charge and release it to the LED
  - d. Place a diode in parallel with the LED to regulate voltage
- 41. What is the primary function of a capacitor in an electrical circuit?
  - a. To resist the flow of current
  - b. To store and release electrical energy
  - c. To amplify signals
  - d. To convert AC to DC
- 42. Why does a capacitor block DC but allow AC to pass?
  - a. Because DC cannot charge a capacitor
  - b. Because capacitors act as open circuits for DC and as frequency-dependent components for AC
  - c. Because capacitors generate their own voltage
  - d. Because capacitors have zero resistance
- 43. What happens when a capacitor is connected to a DC power source?
  - a. It continuously allows current to flow
  - b. It charges up to the supply voltage and then stops current flow
  - c. It converts DC into AC
  - d. It acts as a resistor
- 44. You are working with a power supply circuit that experiences sudden voltage drops. What type of capacitor should you use to stabilize the voltage?
  - a. Ceramic capacitor
  - b. Electrolytic capacitor
  - c. Variable capacitor
  - d. Photocapacitor
- 45. A technician needs to select a capacitor for a high-frequency signal filtering application. Which type of capacitor is most suitable?
  - a. Electrolytic capacitor
  - b. Ceramic capacitor
  - c. Supercapacitor
  - d. Paper capacitor
- 46. Two capacitors are connected in series. How does this affect the total capacitance?
  - a. The total capacitance increases
  - b. The total capacitance decreases
  - c. The total capacitance remains the same
  - d. The total capacitance is equal to the sum of both capacitors
- 47. A capacitor in a circuit is failing to hold charge. What could be a possible reason?
  - a. The capacitor has too high of a capacitance
  - b. The capacitor is connected in parallel
  - c. The capacitor is damaged or has developed an internal short circuit
  - d. The capacitor is exposed to low voltage
- 48. In an AC circuit, a capacitor is used for power factor correction. What is the effect of adding a capacitor to the circuit?
  - a. It decreases circuit resistance
  - b. It improves power factor by reducing reactive power
  - c. It increases power consumption
  - d. It generates additional current
- 49. Which factor is most important when selecting a capacitor for an AC circuit?
  - a. The capacitor's color
  - b. The type of material used for its terminals
  - c. The capacitance value and voltage rating
  - d. The capacitor's size
- 50. You need to design a simple circuit that stores energy for a short duration to power an LED after turning off the main switch. What type of capacitor should you use, and where should it be placed?
  - a. A supercapacitor connected in parallel with the LED
  - b. A ceramic capacitor connected in series with the LED
  - c. A paper capacitor placed across the power supply



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