Basic Concepts of BJTs

- 1. What does BJT stand for?
 - a) Bipolar Junction Transistor
 - b) Binary Junction Transistor
 - c) Base Junction Transformer
 - d) Bipolar Joint Transformer

Answer: a) Bipolar Junction Transistor

- 2. Which are the three terminals of a BJT?
 - a) Base, Collector, Capacitor
 - b) Base, Collector, Emitter
 - c) Emitter, Source, Drain
 - d) Anode, Cathode, Gate

Answer: b) Base, Collector, Emitter

- 3. What are the two types of BJTs?
 - a) NPN and PNP
 - b) NMOS and PMOS
 - c) Enhancement and Depletion
 - d) Anode and Cathode

Answer: a) NPN and PNP

- 4. What type of carriers are dominant in NPN BJTs?
 - a) Holes
 - b) Electrons
 - c) Both Holes and Electrons equally
 - d) None of the above **Answer:** b) Electrons
- 5. Which region of the BJT is lightly doped?
 - a) Base
 - b) Emitter
 - c) Collector
 - d) All regions are equally doped

Answer: a) Base

Working Principle

- 6. In the active region, the emitter-base junction is _____ biased, and the collector-base junction is _____ biased.
 - a) Reverse, Forward
 - b) Forward, Forward
 - c) Forward, Reverse
 - d) Reverse, Reverse

Answer: c) Forward, Reverse

- 7. What happens to the current in the base region of a BJT?
 - a) It is negligible

- b) It is equal to the emitter current
- c) It is equal to the collector current
- d) It is higher than the emitter current

Answer: a) It is negligible

- 8. Which of the following is true for a BJT in saturation?
 - a) VCE is high
 - b) VCE is low
 - c) VBE is reverse biased
 - d) Both junctions are reverse biased

Answer: b) VCE is low

- 9. In which region does a BJT act as an amplifier?
 - a) Cut-off region
 - b) Active region
 - c) Saturation region
 - d) Breakdown region

Answer: b) Active region

- 10. What is the typical voltage drop across the base-emitter junction in a silicon BJT?
 - a) 0.3 V
 - b) 0.7 V
 - c) 1.2 V
 - d) 1.5 V

Answer: b) 0.7 V

Configurations

- 11. In which configuration is the input impedance the lowest?
 - a) Common Emitter
 - b) Common Base
 - c) Common Collector
 - d) None of the above

Answer: b) Common Base

- 12. Which configuration provides the highest voltage gain?
 - a) Common Base
 - b) Common Emitter
 - c) Common Collector
 - d) None of the above

Answer: b) Common Emitter

- 13. Which BJT configuration is primarily used as a buffer?
 - a) Common Emitter
 - b) Common Base
 - c) Common Collector
 - d) None of the above

Answer: c) Common Collector

14. What is the phase relationship between input and output in a common-emitter	
c	onfiguration?
a	0°
b) 90°
,) 180°
) 270° Inswer: c) 180°
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15. Which configuration has the highest current gain?	
a) Common Base
b) Common Emitter
c) Common Collector
d) None of the above
A	Answer: c) Common Collector
Biasing	g and Stability
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	What is the purpose of biasing in BJTs?
	To amplify signals
) To stabilize operating point
	To reduce current flow
	None of the above
	Answer: b) To stabilize operating point
	Which biasing method provides the most stable operating point?
) Fixed bias
) Collector-to-base bias
) Voltage-divider bias
	Emitter feedback bias
	Answer: c) Voltage-divider bias
	Which component is typically added in biasing circuits to improve thermal
	tability?
) Capacitor
) Resistor
) Diode
) Inductor
	Answer: b) Resistor
	What happens to the operating point if temperature increases in a fixed bias circuit?
) Remains stable
) Shifts toward cut-off) Shifts toward acturation
) Shifts toward saturation
a	None of the above

20. The stability factor measures the sensitivity of _____ to temperature changes.

Answer: c) Shifts toward saturation

a) Base currentb) Emitter current

- c) Collector current
- d) Voltage gain

Answer: c) Collector current

Small Signal Analysis

- 21. In small signal analysis, what does the hybrid parameter he represent?
 - a) Voltage gain
 - b) Input resistance
 - c) Current gain
 - d) Output resistance

Answer: c) Current gain

- 22. **The input resistance in the common-emitter configuration is typically: **
 - a) High
 - b) Low
 - c) Infinite
 - d) Zero

Answer: b) Low

- 23. **The output resistance in a common-base configuration is typically: **
 - a) High
 - b) Low
 - c) Infinite
 - d) Zero

Answer: a) High

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In the small signal model, the resistance r_e is approximately equal to:

- a) $\frac{kT}{qI_E}$
- b) $\frac{qI_E}{kT}$
- c) $\frac{kT}{a}$
- d) $\frac{q}{kT}$

Answer: a) $\frac{kT}{qI_E}$

- 25. What is the typical value of h_{fe} for a small-signal BJT?
 - a) 10-50
 - b) 50-500
 - c) 500-1000
 - d) Above 1000

Answer: b) 50–500

Miscellaneous Questions

- 26. Which BJT parameter determines the maximum frequency it can amplify?
 - a) h_{fe}
 - b) r_e
 - c) Transition frequency (f_T)
 - d) Saturation current

Answer: c) Transition frequency ((f_T)

- 27. A Darlington pair configuration has a very high:
 - a) Voltage gain
 - b) Current gain
 - c) Output resistance
 - d) None of the above

Answer: b) Current gain

Power and Efficiency

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Which parameter is used to calculate the power dissipation of a BJT?

- a) I_B
- b) I_C
- c) $V_{CE} imes I_C$
- d) $V_{BE} imes I_E$

Answer: c) $V_{CE} imes I_{C}$

- 29. What is the primary limitation of BJTs in high-power applications?
 - a) High input impedance
 - b) Low speed
 - c) Thermal runaway
 - d) Low gain

Answer: c) Thermal runaway

- 30. What is the typical efficiency of a BJT in Class A operation?
 - a) 25%
 - b) 50%
 - c) 75%
 - d) 90%

Ánswer: b) 50%

- 31. In power BJTs, what is the primary reason for using a heat sink?
 - a) Reduce voltage drop

- b) Increase current gain
- c) Dissipate heat
- d) Enhance signal amplification

Answer: c) Dissipate heat

- 32. The maximum power rating of a BJT is determined by:
 - a) Base current only
 - b) Emitter current only
 - c) Junction temperature
 - d) Transition frequency

Answer: c) Junction temperature

Switching Applications

- 33. In which region does a BJT operate when used as a switch?
 - a) Cut-off and Active
 - b) Saturation and Cut-off
 - c) Active and Saturation
 - d) Breakdown and Cut-off

Answer: b) Saturation and Cut-off

- 34. In the cut-off region, the base-emitter voltage V_{BE} is:
 - a) Negative
 - b) Positive
 - c) Zero
 - d) None of the above

Answer: c) Zero

- 35. What is the typical value of $V_{CE}(sat)$ for a silicon BJT?
 - a) 0.2 V
 - b) 0.7 V
 - c) 1.5 V
 - d) 2.0 V

Answer: a) 0.2 V

- 36. What is the primary advantage of BJTs in switching applications?
 - a) High voltage gain
 - b) Fast switching speed
 - c) High input impedance
 - d) Thermal stability

Answer: b) Fast switching speed

- 37. What is the role of a base resistor in a BJT switch circuit?
 - a) To limit collector current
 - b) To limit base current
 - c) To increase gain
 - d) To stabilize output voltage

Answer: b) To limit base current

BJT Limitations and Protection

38. What is "thermal runaway" in a BJT?

- a) An increase in input impedance
- b) A decrease in current gain with temperature
- c) An uncontrollable increase in collector current with temperature
- d) A sudden drop in base-emitter voltage

Answer: c) An uncontrollable increase in collector current with temperature

39. How can thermal runaway in a BJT be minimized?

- a) By increasing base current
- b) By using negative feedback
- c) By increasing the emitter resistance
- d) Both b and c

Answer: d) Both b and c

40. What happens when the BJT operates in the breakdown region?

- a) Normal amplification
- b) Irreversible damage
- c) Increased current gain
- d) Reduced input resistance

Answer: b) Irreversible damage

41. What is the safe operating area (SOA) of a BJT?

- a) The range of collector current and voltage values where the BJT can operate reliably
- b) The maximum input voltage range
- c) The maximum frequency range
- d) None of the above

Answer: a) The range of collector current and voltage values where the BJT can operate reliably

Comparison with Other Devices

42. Compared to MOSFETs, BJTs generally have:

- a) Higher input impedance
- b) Higher switching speed
- c) Lower input impedance
- d) None of the above

Answer: c) Lower input impedance

- 43. Which device has a negative temperature coefficient for current, reducing the risk of thermal runaway?
 - a) BJT
 - b) MOSFET
 - c) SCR

d) UJT

Answer: b) MOSFET

44. BJTs are preferred over MOSFETs in applications requiring:

- a) High input impedance
- b) High power efficiency
- c) High current density
- d) Low speed

Answer: c) High current density

Advanced Topics

45. What is the "Early effect" in BJTs?

- a) The increase in collector current due to a decrease in base width
- b) The delay in switching time
- c) The saturation of the base region
- d) The reverse breakdown of the collector junction

Answer: a) The increase in collector current due to a decrease in base width

46. What does the term "h-parameters" signify in BJTs?

- a) Hybrid parameters
- b) Heat parameters
- c) High-frequency parameters
- d) Hysteresis parameters

Answer: a) Hybrid parameters

47. The maximum allowable voltage across the collector-emitter junction is called:

- a) Breakdown voltage
- b) Threshold voltage
- c) Saturation voltage
- d) Biasing voltage

Answer: a) Breakdown voltage

48. Which region has the shortest carrier lifetime in a BJT?

- a) Base
- b) Emitter
- c) Collector
- d) None of the above

Answer: a) Base

49. The punch-through effect occurs when:

- a) The collector current saturates
- b) The base width becomes very small
- c) The emitter-base junction breaks down
- d) The BJT enters the cut-off region

Answer: b) The base width becomes very small

50. In high-frequency BJTs, the transition frequency f_T is defined as:

- a) The frequency at which current gain becomes 1
- b) The frequency at which power gain becomes 1

c) The maximum operating frequency d) None of the above **Answer:** a) The frequency at which current gain becomes 1

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1. Introduction to Instruments

- 1. What is the primary purpose of a multimeter?
 - a) To amplify signals
 - b) To measure voltage, current, and resistance
 - c) To generate a sine wave
 - d) To regulate voltage

Answer: b)

- 2. Which instrument is used to measure alternating current (AC)?
 - a) Voltmeter
 - b) Ammeter
 - c) Function generator
 - d) Oscilloscope

Answer: b)

- 3. An oscilloscope is mainly used to measure:
 - a) Resistance
 - b) Time-varying signals
 - c) Static electricity
 - d) Power dissipation

Answer: b)

- 4. What is the unit of resistance measured by an ohmmeter?
 - a) Volt
 - b) Ohm
 - c) Ampere
 - d) Farad

Answer: b)

- 5. Which of the following is NOT a function of a function generator?
 - a) Generating sine waves
 - b) Generating square waves
 - c) Measuring resistance
 - d) Generating triangular waves

Answer: c)

2. Forward Bias Operation

6. What happens to a diode under forward bias?

- a) It blocks current
- b) It allows current to flow
- c) It stores energy
- d) It reverses polarity

Answer: b)

7. In forward bias, the positive terminal of the power source is connected to:

- a) Cathode of the diode
- b) Anode of the diode
- c) Gate of the diode
- d) Base of the diode

Answer: b)

8. Which of the following is true for a forward-biased diode?

- a) Reverse voltage increases
- b) Resistance decreases
- c) Current flow decreases
- d) Junction capacitance increases

Answer: b)

9. What is the typical forward voltage drop for a silicon diode?

- a) 0.2V
- b) 0.7V
- c) 1.5V
- d) 2V

Answer: b)

10. Which application commonly uses forward-biased diodes?

- a) Voltage regulation
- b) Signal rectification
- c) Light emission
- d) Noise filtering

Answer: b)

3. Reverse Bias Operation

11. In reverse bias, the diode allows:

- a) High current flow
- b) Leakage current only
- c) Zero current flow
- d) Maximum current flow

12. Reverse breakdown in a diode occurs when:

- a) Voltage exceeds a critical value
- b) Current is maximum
- c) Current is zero
- d) Power supply is off

Answer: a)

13. What is the leakage current in a reverse-biased diode?

- a) Very high
- b) Very low
- c) Equal to forward current
- d) Equal to breakdown current

Answer: b)

14. A Zener diode in reverse bias is used for:

- a) Amplification
- b) Rectification
- c) Voltage regulation
- d) Signal modulation

Answer: c)

15. What does avalanche breakdown in a diode indicate?

- a) Diode failure
- b) Controlled current flow
- c) High reverse voltage
- d) Low resistance

Answer: c)

4. Voltage Regulation Using Zener Diode (Load Resistor Constant)

16. What is the primary application of a Zener diode?

- a) Signal amplification
- b) Voltage regulation
- c) Current rectification
- d) Wave shaping

Answer: b)

17. In a Zener diode voltage regulator, what is the role of the load resistor?

- a) To increase voltage
- b) To limit current
- c) To amplify current
- d) To decrease voltage

18. What is the characteristic of a Zener diode in reverse breakdown?

- a) Variable voltage
- b) Constant voltage
- c) Constant current
- d) No current flow

Answer: b)

19. Which of the following parameters should be constant in a Zener diode regulator circuit?

- a) Current
- b) Load voltage
- c) Load power
- d) Input resistance

Answer: b)

20. At reverse breakdown, the Zener diode acts as a:

- a) Short circuit
- b) Voltage stabilizer
- c) Current amplifier
- d) Power source

Answer: b)

5. Voltage Regulation Using Zener Diode (Input Voltage Constant)

21. What happens to the Zener diode when the input voltage increases?

- a) Current through the Zener increases
- b) Voltage across the Zener increases
- c) Both current and voltage increase
- d) The Zener diode breaks down

Answer: a)

22. In a Zener diode circuit, if the load resistance decreases, the load current:

- a) Increases
- b) Decreases
- c) Remains constant
- d) Becomes zero

Answer: a)

23. Which component protects the Zener diode from high current in a regulator circuit?

- a) Resistor
- b) Capacitor
- c) Inductor
- d) Transformer

24. The input voltage for a Zener diode regulator should be:

- a) Equal to Zener voltage
- b) Higher than Zener voltage
- c) Lower than Zener voltage
- d) Independent of Zener voltage

Answer: b)

25. What happens if the input voltage drops below the Zener voltage?

- a) Zener stops regulating
- b) Zener breaks down
- c) Zener current increases
- d) Load current increases

Answer: a)

6. Half-Wave Rectifier

26. In a half-wave rectifier, the output waveform contains:

- a) Positive and negative cycles
- b) Only positive cycles
- c) Only negative cycles
- d) Both cycles amplified

Answer: b)

27. Which component is essential in a half-wave rectifier circuit?

- a) Transformer
- b) Diode
- c) Capacitor
- d) Inductor

Answer: b)

28. What is the primary drawback of a half-wave rectifier?

- a) High efficiency
- b) Low efficiency
- c) High ripple factor
- d) Low ripple factor

Answer: c)

29. The efficiency of a half-wave rectifier is approximately:

- a) 40.6%
- b) 50%
- c) 75%
- d) 90%

- 30. What is the frequency of the output signal in a half-wave rectifier, given a 50 Hz AC input?
 - a) 25 Hz
 - b) 50 Hz
 - c) 100 Hz
 - d) 75 Hz

Answer: b)

7. Full-Wave Rectifier

- 31. What is the output frequency of a full-wave rectifier with a 60 Hz input?
 - a) 30 Hz
 - b) 60 Hz
 - c) 120 Hz
 - d) 90 Hz

Answer: c)

- 32. Which configuration is commonly used in full-wave rectifiers?
 - a) Half-wave rectifier
 - b) Bridge rectifier
 - c) Single diode rectifier
 - d) Inductive rectifier

Answer: b)

- 33. What is the peak inverse voltage (PIV) for each diode in a bridge rectifier?
 - a) Equal to input voltage
 - b) Twice the input voltage
 - c) Half the input voltage
 - d) Independent of input voltage

Answer: a)

- 34. The ripple factor of a full-wave rectifier is:
 - a) Higher than half-wave rectifier
 - b) Lower than half-wave rectifier
 - c) Equal to half-wave rectifier
 - d) Zero

Answer: b)

- 35. Full-wave rectifiers are preferred over half-wave rectifiers because they:
 - a) Have lower efficiency
 - b) Have less ripple
 - c) Use fewer components
 - d) Operate only with AC

8. Positive and Negative Clipper Circuits

36. What is the function of a clipper circuit?

- a) Amplifies signals
- b) Removes specific portions of a waveform
- c) Generates a sine wave
- d) Stabilizes voltage

Answer: b)

37. In a positive clipper, the clipped part of the signal is:

- a) Above a reference level
- b) Below a reference level
- c) Equal to the reference level
- d) Independent of the reference level

Answer: a)

38. A negative clipper circuit removes:

- a) Positive peaks
- b) Negative peaks
- c) Entire signal
- d) Noise

Answer: b)

39. Which component is critical in a clipper circuit?

- a) Diode
- b) Capacitor
- c) Inductor
- d) Transformer

Answer: a)

40. Clippers are used in applications requiring:

- a) Signal shaping
- b) Amplification
- c) Energy storage
- d) Rectification

Answer: a)

9. Positive and Negative Clamper Circuits

41. What is the primary function of a clamper circuit?

- a) Shift the DC level of a signal
- b) Remove noise
- c) Stabilize voltage
- d) Amplify signals

- 42. In a positive clamper, the signal is shifted:
 - a) Downward
 - b) Upward
 - c) Horizontally
 - d) Inversely

Answer: b)

- 43. What additional component is used in a clamper circuit besides a diode?
 - a) Resistor
 - b) Capacitor
 - c) Transformer
 - d) Inductor

Answer: b)

- 44. A negative clamper circuit shifts the signal:
 - a) Upward
 - b) Downward
 - c) Horizontally
 - d) Inversely

Answer: b)

- 45. Clamper circuits are often used in:
 - a) Signal processing
 - b) Power supply circuits
 - c) Data transmission
 - d) Energy storage

Answer: a)

General Questions

- 46. Which type of diode is used in voltage regulation circuits?
 - a) Schottky diode
 - b) Zener diode
 - c) Light-emitting diode
 - d) Tunnel diode

Answer: b)

- 47. What happens when the forward voltage of a diode exceeds the threshold?
 - a) It conducts current
 - b) It blocks current
 - c) It overheats
 - d) It reverses polarity

- 48. Rectifiers are primarily used to convert:
 - a) AC to DC
 - b) DC to AC
 - c) AC to AC
 - d) DC to DC

Answer: a)

- 49. In a circuit, the purpose of a resistor is to:
 - a) Limit current flow
 - b) Store energy
 - c) Generate signals
 - d) Increase voltage

Answer: a)

- 50. What does the term "ripple factor" measure in rectifiers?
 - a) Voltage regulation
 - b) Smoothness of output
 - c) Amplification factor
 - d) Current rating