



Attempt all questions, full mark: 40 Points

Time: 3 Hours

Question #1: (10 Points)

Mark True (✓) or False (x)

- 1) The dc load line intersects the horizontal axis of a transistor characteristic curve at $V_{CE} = V_{CC}/2$.
- 2) Base bias is less stable than voltage-divider bias.
- 3) The r parameter β_{ac} is the same as the h parameter h_{fe} .
- 4) In a CE amplifier, the gain can be stabilized by using a swamping resistor.
- 5) A bypass capacitor in a **CE** amplifier decreases the voltage gain.
- 6) A differential amplifier amplifies the difference of two input signals.
- 7) Each transistor in a class B amplifier conducts for half of the entire input cycle.
- 8) Class **AB** operation overcomes the problem of crossover distortion.
- 9) Darlington transistors can be used to increase the input resistance of a class AB amplifier.
- 10) The channel resistance of a JFET is a constant.
- 11) Forward transconductance of a JFET is the change in drain voltage for a given change in gate voltage.
- 12) The JFET drain current I_D becomes zero at the pinch-off voltage.
- 13) There is no phase inversion in a CS amplifier using JFET.
- 14) A CS amplifier using a D-MOSFET can operate with both positive and negative input voltages.
- 15) CMOS is a device used in linear amplifiers.
- 16) An analog switch is controlled by a digital input.
- 17) An ideal op-amp has very high output impedance.
- 18) The closed-loop voltage gain of the op-amp inverting amplifier is dependent on the internal open-loop voltage gain of the op-amp.
- 19) A comparator with hysteresis has two trigger points.
- 20) When a triangular waveform is applied to a differentiator, a sine wave appears on the output.

Question #2: (6 Points)

Choose the right answer:

1) **A transistor circuit has $V_{CC} = 12\text{ V}$, $V_{BB} = 8\text{ V}$, $R_C = 4\text{ K}\Omega$, $R_B = 50\text{ K}\Omega$, and $\beta_{DC} = 80$, the transistor is**

- A** (A) being driven into saturation (B) being driven into cutoff
(C) being driven in the active region (D) operating nonlinearly

2) **The β_{DC} of a transistor is its**

- B** (A) voltage gain (B) current gain
(C) power gain (D) internal resistance

3) **The input resistance of a common-base amplifier is**

- A** (A) very low (B) very high
(C) the same as a CE (D) the same as a CC

4) **An amplifier that operates in the linear region at all times is**

- A** (A) Class A (B) Class AB
(C) Class B (D) Class C

5) **The efficiency of a power amplifier is the ratio of the power delivered to the load to**

- C** (A) the input signal power (B) the power dissipated in the last stage
(C) the power from the dc power supply (D) none of these answers

6) **The peak current a class A power amplifier can deliver to a load depends on the**

- B** (A) maximum rating of the power supply (B) quiescent current
(C) current in the bias resistors (D) size of the heat sink

7) **In a JFET, I_{DSS} is**

- C** (A) the drain current with the source shorted (B) the drain current at cutoff
(C) the maximum possible drain current (D) the midpoint drain current

8) **The channel of a JFET is between the**

- B** (A) gate and drain (B) drain and source
(C) gate and source (D) input and output

9) **For a p-channel JFET, drain current in the constant-current region increases when**

- A** (A) the gate-to-source bias voltage decreases (B) the gate-to-source bias voltage increases
(C) the drain-to-source voltage increases (D) the drain-to-source voltage decreases

10) **A MOSFET differs from a JFET mainly because**

- C** (A) of the power rating (B) the MOSFET has two gates
(C) the JFET has a pn junction (D) MOSFETs do not have a physical channel

11) **The op-amp common-mode gain is**

- B** (A) very high (B) very low
(C) always unity (D) unpredictable

12) **When you apply a triangular waveform to the input of a differentiator, the output is**

- C** (A) a dc level (B) an inverted triangular waveform
(C) a square waveform (D) a sinusoidal waveform

Question #3: (10 Points)

- a) If a transistor has a *dc* beta of 190, $V_B = 2$ V, and $I_E = 4$ mA, what is the *dc* input resistance at the base?

$$R_{in(Base)} = 95 \text{ K}\Omega$$

- b) Explain swamping.

Partially bypassing the emitter resistance to improve amplifier gain stability and increase its input impedance.

- c) What characteristic of the common-collector amplifier makes it a useful circuit?

It has high input impedance.

- d) What is the main advantage of the class-B amplifier over the class-A one?

It has greater efficiency.

- e) An n-channel E-MOSFET has $I_{D(on)} = 8$ mA at $V_{GS} = 3$ V, and $V_{GS(th)} = 2.5$ V. Find I_D when $V_{GS} = 4$ V.

$$K = 32 \text{ mA/V}^2$$
$$I_D = 72 \text{ mA}$$

- f) In a certain self-biased n-channel JFET circuit, $I_D = 8$ mA and $R_S = 1$ K Ω . Determine V_{GS} .

$$V_{GS} = -8 \text{ V}$$

- g) If the gate-to-source voltage in an n-channel D-MOSFET is made more negative, what would be the effect on the drain current?

Decreases.

- h) What is the major difference in construction of the D-MOSFET and the E-MOSFET?

D-MOSFET has a built in channel.

- i) Define the op-amp common-mode rejection.

It is the ability of an op-amp to produce very low common mode gain compared to the differential mod gain.

- j) What is the feedback element in an ideal op-amp differentiator?

Resistance.

Question #4: (2 Points)

The silicon *npn* transistor used in the common-collector amplifier shown in Fig.4 has $\beta_{dc} = \beta_{ac} = 120$.

- Find r_e' .
- Draw the ac equivalent circuit of the amplifier
- Find the exact voltage gain and the total input impedance of the amplifier.

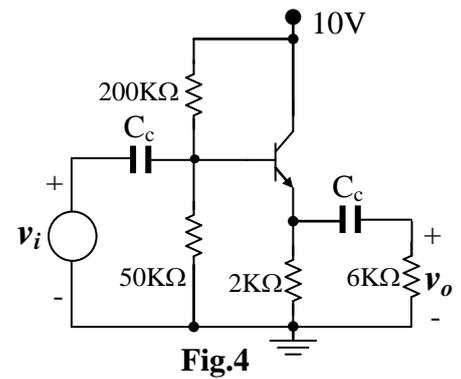


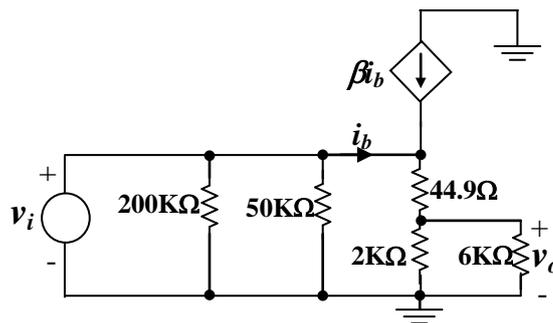
Fig.4

$r_e' = 44.9 \Omega$

$A_v = 0.97$

$Z_{in} = 32.9 \text{ K}\Omega$

The ac equivalent circuit



Question #5 (3 Points)

The silicon *npn* transistor used in the swamped class-A power amplifier of Fig.5 has $\beta_{dc} = \beta_{ac} = 100$. The collector resistor serves also as the load resistor. The input is a sinusoidal voltage with a 1V p-p, Determine:

- The dc Q-point (I_{CQ} and V_{CEQ}).
- The voltage gain A_v .
- The signal power in the load P_L .
- The total power from the power supply P_{DC} .
- The amplifier efficiency η .

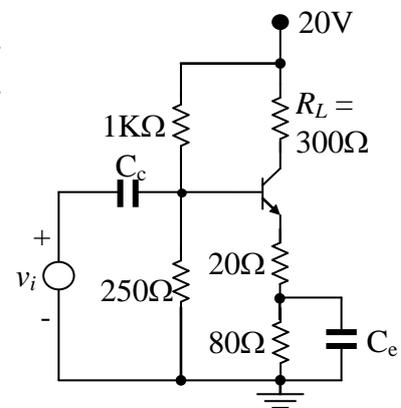


Fig.5

$I_{CQ} = 32.35 \text{ mA}$

$V_{CEQ} = 7.06 \text{ V}$

$A_v = -14.44$

$P_L = 87 \text{ mW}$

$P_{DC} = 647 \text{ mW}$

$\eta = 13.45\%$

Question #6: (2 Points)

The JFET used in the common source amplifier of Fig.6 has $V_{GS(off)} = -4V$ and $I_{DSS} = 12\text{ mA}$.

- Find R_S to set up a midpoint bias.
- Determine the drain-source voltage V_{DS} at the Q -point.
- Calculate the value of the transconductance g_m at the Q -point.
- Determine the amplifier voltage gain.

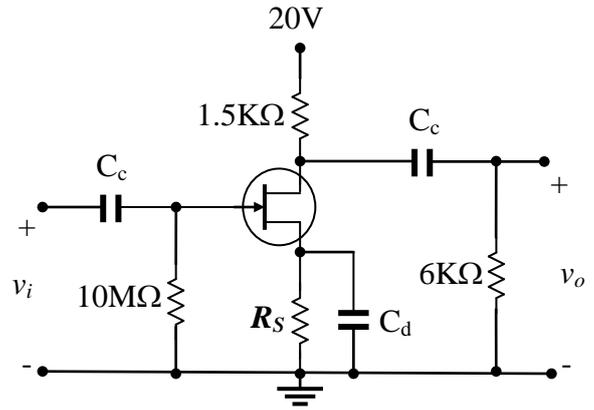


Fig.6

$R_S = 196\ \Omega$

$V_{DSQ} = 9.82\text{ V}$

$g_m = 4.24\text{ mS}$

$A_v = -5.1$

Question #7: (3 Points)

The E-MOSFET used in the common-source amplifier in Fig.7 has $I_{D(on)} = 135\text{ mA}$ at $V_{GS} = 4\text{ V}$ and $V_{GS(th)} = 2.5\text{ V}$.

- Determine the operating point V_{GSQ} , I_{DQ} and V_{DSQ} .
- Calculate the value of the transconductance g_m at the Q -point.
- Determine the voltage gain and input impedance of the amplifier.

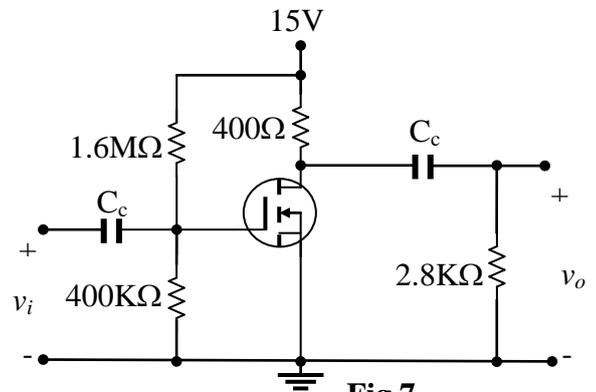


Fig.7

$V_{GSQ} = 3V$

$I_{DQ} = 15\text{ mA}$

$V_{DSQ} = 9\text{ V}$

$g_m = 60\text{ mS}$

$A_v = -21$

$Z_{in} = 320\text{ K}\Omega$

Question #8 (2 Points)

Write the necessary nodal equations then find the voltages v_I and v_o in the circuit of Fig.8, assuming ideal op-amp.

$$4 v_I - v_o = 4$$

$$4 v_I + v_o = 0$$

$$v_I = 0.5 \text{ V}$$

$$v_o = -2 \text{ V}$$

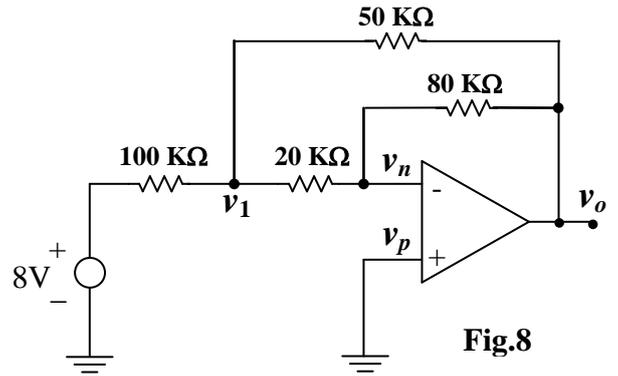


Fig.8

Question #9: (2 Points)

- Find an expression for the output voltage $v_o(t)$ of the integrating amplifier of Fig.9.
- If a step voltage of -4 V is applied to the input, with no energy stored in the capacitor. Sketch $v_o(t)$ for $t \geq 0$.
- How many milliseconds (T) elapse before the op-amp saturates?

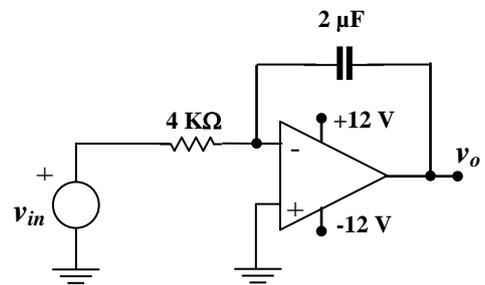


Fig.9

$$v_o(t) = -125 \int v_{in} dt + K$$

$$T = 24 \text{ mS}$$

