

**Attempt all questions, full mark: 40 Points****Time: 3 Hours****Question #1: (10 Points)****Mark True (✓) or False (x)**

- 1) Voltage-divider bias is rarely used.
- 2)  $h$ -parameters are never specified on a datasheet.
- 3) In a **CE** amplifier, the gain can be stabilized by using a swamping resistor.
- 4) A differential amplifier amplifies the difference of two input signals.
- 5) A **CB** amplifier has high current gain.
- 6) When a transistor is saturated, the collector current is minimum.
- 7) In an amplifier, a coupling capacitor should appear ideally as a short to the signal.
- 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 **JFET** always operates with a reverse-biased gate-to-source  $pn$  junction.
- 11) The drain current  $I_D$  of a **JFET** becomes zero if  $V_{DS}$  is at the pinch-off voltage.
- 12) Forward transconductance is the change in drain voltage for a given change in gate voltage.
- 13) A **D-MOSFET** has a physical channel and an **E-MOSFET** has an induced channel.
- 14) An analog switch is controlled by a digital input.
- 15) If the feedback resistor in an inverting amplifier opens, the gain becomes zero.
- 16) The gain of a voltage-follower is very high.
- 17) An ideal op-amp has very high output impedance.
- 18) An  $R/2R$  ladder circuit is one form of Digital to Analog Converter.
- 19) Negative feedback reduces the gain of an op-amp from its open-loop value.
- 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  $V_{CC} = 12\text{ V}$ ,  $V_{BB} = 3\text{ V}$ ,  $R_C = 2\text{ K}\Omega$ ,  $R_B = 50\text{ K}\Omega$ , and  $\beta_{DC} = 80$ , the transistor is**

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|----------|---------------------------------------|------------------------------|
| <b>C</b> | (A) being driven into saturation      | (B) being driven into cutoff |
|          | (C) being driven in the active region | (D) operating nonlinearly    |

2) **The voltage gain of a common-base amplifier is**

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| <b>C</b> | (A) very low         | (B) very high        |
|          | (C) the same as a CE | (D) the same as a CC |

3) **The main advantage of a common-collector amplifier is**

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| <b>C</b> | (A) high current gain    | (B) high voltage gain   |
|          | (C) high input impedance | (D) low input impedance |

4) **The main advantage of the class-B amplifier over the class-A one is**

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| <b>D</b> | (A) higher current gain | (B) higher voltage gain |
|          | (C) higher power gain   | (D) higher efficiency   |

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

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| <b>C</b> | (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 maximum efficiency of a class A power amplifier is**

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| <b>A</b> | (A) 25% | (B) 50%   |
|          | (C) 75% | (D) 78.5% |

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

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| <b>C</b> | (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 drain current in a JFET is controlled by**

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| <b>A</b> | (A) the gate-to-source voltage | (B) the drain-to-source voltage |
|          | (C) the gate-to-drain voltage  | (D) the gate current            |

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

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| <b>A</b> | (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) **The op-amp common-mode gain is**

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| <b>B</b> | (A) very high    | (B) very low      |
|          | (C) always unity | (D) unpredictable |

11) **In a zero-level detector, the output changes state when the input**

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| <b>C</b> | (A) is positive  | (B) is negative               |
|          | (C) crosses zero | (D) has a zero rate of change |

12) **In a scaling adder, the input resistors are**

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| <b>C</b> | (A) all the same value                           | (B) all of different values    |
|          | (C) each proportional to the weight of its input | (D) related by a factor of two |

**Question #3: (10 Points)**

- a) A certain transistor has  $\alpha_{DC} = 0.99$ . If the dc base current is  $10 \mu\text{A}$ , determine  $r_e'$ .

$$r_e' = 25 \Omega$$

- b) An n-channel JFET has  $I_{DSS} = 5 \text{ mA}$  and  $V_{GS(off)} = -8 \text{ V}$ . What value of  $V_{GS}$  is required to set up a drain current of  $2.25 \text{ mA}$ .

$$V_{gs} = -2.63 \text{ V}$$

- c) A certain class A power amplifier has  $V_{CEQ} = 12 \text{ V}$  and  $I_{CQ} = 1 \text{ A}$ . Find the maximum signal power output.

$$P_{L(max)} = 6 \text{ W}$$

- d) What bias voltage is developed at the base of a transistor if both resistors in a voltage divider are equal and  $V_{CC} = 10 \text{ V}$ ?

$$V_B = 5 \text{ V}$$

- e) An n-channel JFET with voltage-divider bias has a gate voltage of  $3 \text{ V}$ , a drain current of  $9 \text{ mA}$ , and a source resistance of  $800 \Omega$ . Calculate  $V_{GS}$ .

$$V_{gs} = -4.2 \text{ V}$$

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

**A D-MOSFET has a physical channel; while an E-MOSFET has an induced channel.**

- g) A common-emitter amplifier is driving a load resistance  $R_L = 10 \text{ k}\Omega$ . If  $R_C = 2.2 \text{ k}\Omega$ ,  $I_{CQ} = 2.5 \text{ mA}$ ,  $\beta_{ac} = 75$  and  $R_E$  is completely bypassed at the operating frequency. Find the voltage gain.

$$A_v = -180$$

- h) 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.**

- i) What is the major difference in construction of the MOSFET and the JFET?

**In MOSFET, the gate is isolated from the channel by  $\text{SiO}_2$  layer; while in the JFET, the gate constructs a reverse biased  $pn$ -junction with the channel.**

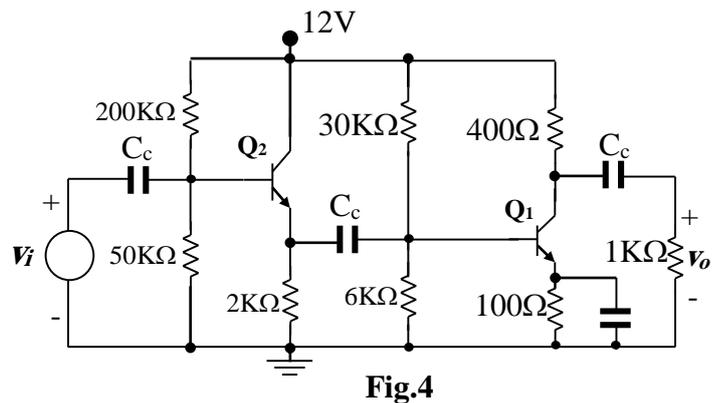
- j) What is the feedback element in an ideal op-amp integrator?

**A capacitance.**

**Question #4: (5 Points)**

The silicon *npn* transistors used in the two-stage amplifier shown in Fig.4 has  $\beta_{dc} = \beta_{ac} = 100$ .

- Find the operating point and  $r_e'$  for each transistor. (2 Points)
- Find the voltage gain and input impedance of each stage. (2 Points)
- Find the overall voltage gain and input impedance of the amplifier. (1 Point)

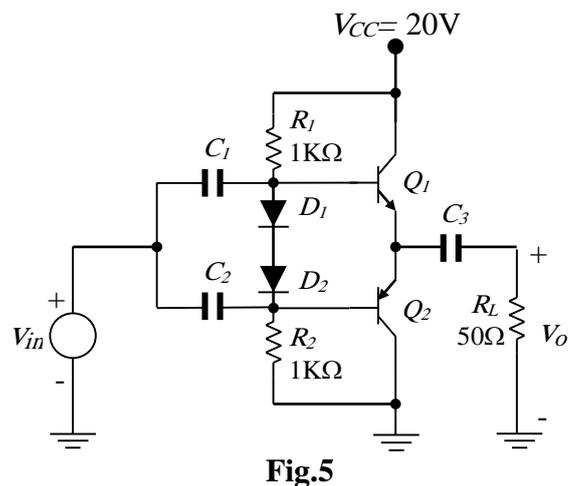


$I_{CQ1} = 8.67 \text{ mA}$	$V_{CEQ1} = 8.53 \text{ V}$	$r_{e'1} = 2.88 \Omega$
$I_{CQ2} = 0.71 \text{ mA}$	$V_{CEQ2} = 10.58 \text{ V}$	$r_{e'2} = 35.3 \Omega$
$A_{v1} = -99.2$	$Z_{in1} = 272 \Omega$	
$A_{v2} = 1$	$Z_{in2} = 16.3 \text{ K}\Omega$	
$A_{vT} = -99.2$	$Z_{inT} = 16.3 \text{ K}\Omega$	

**Question #5 (2 Points)**

The class *AB* amplifier in Fig.5 is operating with a single power supply.

- Assuming the input peak-to-peak voltage is 10 V; determine the power delivered to the load resistor and the amplifier efficiency. (1 Point)
- What is the maximum power that could be delivered to the load resistor? (1/2 Point)
- Assume the power supply voltage is raised to 30 V. What is the new maximum power that could be delivered to the load resistor? (1/2 Point)

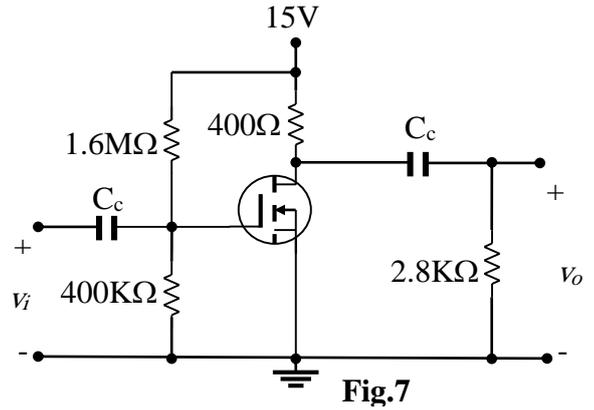


a)	$P_{LD} = 0.25 \text{ W}$	Efficiency = 39.3 %
b)	$P_{LD(max)} = 1 \text{ W}$	
c)	$P_{LD(max)} = 2.25 \text{ W}$	

**Question #6: (3 Points)**

The E-MOSFET used in the common-source amplifier in Fig.6 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.



$V_{GSQ} = 3 \text{ V}$

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

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

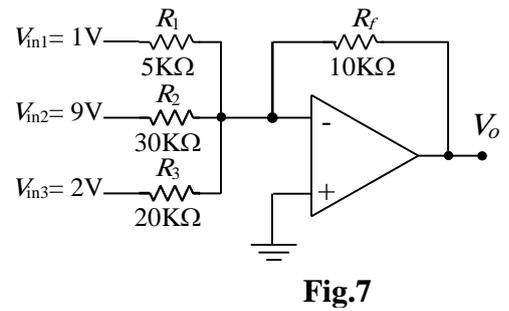
$g_m = 60 \text{ mS}$

$A_v = -21$

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

**Question #7: (2 Points)**

- Find the output voltage when the indicated input voltages are applied to the scaling adder of Fig.7. (1 Point)
- What is the value of the current through  $R_f$ ? (1 Point)



$V_o = -6 \text{ V}$

$I_f = 0.6 \text{ mA}$

**Question #8: (2 Points)**

The voltage waveform of Fig.8a is applied to the non-inverting amplifier of Fig.8b. Sketch the output waveform  $v_o$ .

