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EC8351-ELECTRONICS CIRCUITS-I - QUESTION BANK

UNIT I - BIASING OF DISCRETE BJT, JFET AND MOSFET

PART-A

- 1. Why do we choose Q point at the center of the load line?
- 2. Name the two techniques used in the stability of the q point .explain.
- 3. Give the expression for stability factor.
- 4. List out the different types of biasing.
- 5. What do you meant by thermal runway?
- 6. Why the transistor is called a current controlled device?
- 7. Define current amplification factor?
- 8. What are the requirements for biasing circuits?
- 9. When does a transistor act as a switch?
- 10. What is biasing?
- 11. What is operating point?
- 12. What is stability factor?
- 13. What is DC load line?
- 14. What are the advantages of fixed bias circuit?
- 15. Explain about the various regions in a transistor?
- 16. Explain about the characteristics of a transistor?
- 17. What is the necessary of the coupling capacitor?
- 18. What is reverse saturation current?
- 19. Why is the operating point selected at the Centre of the active region?
- 20. What are the basic rules of an operating amplifier?

PART -B

- 1. Explain the voltage divider bias method & derive an expression for stability factors.
- 2. Why biasing is necessary in BJT amplifier? Explain the concept of DC & AC load line with neat diagram. How will you select the operating point, explain it using CE amplifier characteristics?
- 3. Explain the collector feedback bias amplifier & derive an expression for stability factors.
- 4. Explain the fixed bias method & derive an expression for stability factors.
- 5. Derive an expression for all stability factors & CE configuration S equation.
- 6. Explain about common source self- bias & voltage divider bias for FET.
- 7. Explain in details about biasing MOSFET.
- 8. Discuss the various types of bias compensation.
- 9. The fixed bias circuit as shown in figure is subjected to an increase in junction temperature from 25°C to 75°C. If β is 125 at 75°C. Determine the percentage change in Q point values (V_{ce}, I_c) over temperature change. Neglect any change in V_{BE}.

- 10. Design a collector to base bias circuit to have operating point (10v, 4mA). The circuit is supplied with 20v and uses a silicon transistor of he is 250.
- 11. Design a voltage divider bias circuit for the specified conditions. Vcc=12v, VcE=6v, Ic=1mA, S=20, $\beta=100$ and V

UNIT II

BJT AMPLIFIERS

PART-A

- 1. What is an amplifier?
- 2. How are amplifiers classified according to the input?
- 3. How are amplifiers classified according to the transistor configuration?
- 4. What is the different analysis available to analyze a transistor?
- 5. How can a DC equivalent circuit of an amplifier be obtained?
- 6. How can an AC equivalent circuit of an amplifier be obtained?
- 7. Define Common Mode Rejection Ratio.
- 8. State Miller's Theorem.
- 9. What are the various h-parameters for a CE transistor?
- 13. What is the typical value of CMRR? How the constant current circuit is used to improve the CMRR?
- 10. Find the value of αdc when Ic=8.2mA and Ie=8.7mA.
- 11. What are the benefits of h-parameters?
- 12. What is the coupling schemes used in multistage amplifiers?
- 13. What is the role of coupling network in multistage amplifiers?
- 14. Define voltage & current gain of an emitter follower.
- 15. What is meant by power gain?
- 16. What does bootstrapping mean?
- 17. Why bootstrapping is done in a buffer amplifier?
- 18. Draw the Darlington emitter follower circuit.
- 19. Why CE amplifier better than CC & CB amplifiers?
- 20. What is the difference between cascade and cascode amplifier?

PART-B

- 1. Draw a CE amplifier & its small signal equivalent. Derive its Avs, Ai, Rin, Ro.
- Explain with circuit diagram of Darlington connection and derive the expression for Ai, Av, Ri &Ro.
- 3. Explain Bootstrap emitter follower circuit. Compare CE, CB, CC amplifiers.
- 4. Derive expression for voltage gain of CS & CD amplifier under small signal low frequency condition.
- 5. Explain the emitter coupled differential amplifier with neat diagram & Derive expression for CMRR.
- Discuss transfer characteristics of differential amplifier. Explain the methods used to improve CMRR.
- 7. Write short notes on multistage amplifiers & Draw a two stage RC coupled amplifier and explain. Compare cascade and cascode amplifier?

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- 8. Derive the expressions for the voltage gain, current gain, input and output impedance of emitter follower amplifier.
- 9. Derive the expressions for the common mode and differential mode gains of a differential amplifier in terms of h-parameters.
- 10. Consider a single stage CE amplifier with $R_s=1k\Omega$, $R_1=50K\Omega$, $R_2=2K\Omega$, $R_C=2K\Omega$, $R_C=2K$
- 11. The Darlington amplifier has the following parameters, R_s=3k Ω , R_E=3k Ω , h_{ie}=1.1 K Ω , h_{fe}=50, h_{re}=2.5×10⁻⁴, h_{oe}=25 μ mho. Then calculate A_i, R_i, A_v and R₀.
- 12. The dual input balanced output differential amplifier having $R_s\!=\!100\Omega,\,R_C\!=\!4.7K\Omega,\,R_E\!=\!6.8K\Omega,\,h_{fe}\!=\!100,\,V_{cc}\!=\!+15v$ and $V_{EE}\!=\!-15v$. Calculate operating point values, differential & common mode gain, CMRR, and output if $V_{S1}\!=\!70mV(p\!-\!p)$ at 1 KHz & $V_{S2}\!=\!40mV(p\!-\!p)$ at 1 KHz

UNIT III

SINGLE STAGE FET, MOSFET AMPLIFIERS

PART -A

- 1. What is meant by small signal?
- 2. What is the physical meaning of small signal parameter ro?
- 3. Write the equation for small signal condition that must be satisfied for linear amplifiers.
- 4. Draw the small signal equivalent circuit common source NMOS.
- 5. What is another name for common drain amplifier?
- 6. Draw the source follower amplifier circuit.
- 7. List the applications of MOSFET amplifiers.
- 8. Compare the characteristics of three MOSFET amplifier configurations.
- 9. Draw the small signal equivalent JFET common source circuit.
- 10. How does a transistor width-to-length ratio affect the small signal voltage gain of a common source amplifier?
- 11. How a MOSFET can be used to amplify a time varying voltage?
- 12. How does body effect change the small signal equivalent of the MOSFET?
- 13. Why in general the magnitude of the voltage gain of a common source amplifier relatively small?
- 14. What is voltage swing limitation?
- 15. What is the general condition under which a common gate amplifier would be used?
- 16. State the general advantage of using transistors in place of resistors in integrated circuits.
- 17. Give one reason why a JFET might be used as an input device in a circuit as proposed to a MOSFET.
- 18. What are features of cascode amplifiers?
- 19. What are the applications of BiCMOS?
- 20. Discuss one advantage of BiCMOS circuit.



PART-B

- 1. Describe the operation and analyze the basic JFET amplifier circuits.
- 2. Derive the small signal analysis of common source amplifier.
- 3. Develop a small signal model of JFET device and analyze basic JFET amplifiers.
- 4. Explain graphically the amplification process in a simple MOSFET amplifier circuit.
- 5. Describe the small signal equivalent circuit of the MOSFET and determine the values of small signal parameters?
- 6. Sketch the small signal high frequency circuit of a common source amplifier & derive the expression for a voltage gain, input & output admittance and input capacitance.
- 7. Sketch a simple source-follower amplifier circuit and discuss the general ac circuit characteristics.
- 8. Characterize the voltage gain and output resistance of a common-gate amplifier.
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- 16. Characterize the voltage gain and output resistance of a common-gate amplifier.



UNIT IV

FREQUENCY RESPONSE OF AMPLIFIERS

PART -A

- 1. Draw the frequency response curve of an amplifier.
- 2. What is the bandwidth of an amplifier?
- 3. Define rise time.
- 4. What kind of techniques required increasing the input impedance?
- 5. Give relation between rise time and bandwidth.
- 6. Give the main reason for the drop in gain at the low frequency region & high frequency region.
- 7. If the rise time of BJT is 35nS, what is the bandwidth that can be obtained using this BJT?
- 8. For an amplifier, mid band gain is 100 & lower cutoff frequency is 20KHz. Find the gain of an amplifier at frequency 20Hz.
- 9. For an amplifier, 3dB gain is 200 & higher cutoff frequency is 20KHz. Find the gain of an amplifier at frequency 100KHz.
- 10. Why common base amplifier is preferred for high frequency signal when compared to CE amplifier?
- 11. Draw the hybrid π equivalent circuit of BJTs.
- 12. What is the difference between small signal equivalent & hybrid π equivalent circuit.
- 13. What is high frequency effect?
- 14. What are the causes for occurrence of upper cutoff frequency in BJT?
- 15. What is Miller's effect? What is gain bandwidth product?
- 16. Give equation of overall lower and upper cutoff frequency of multistage amplifier.
- 17. What is significance of octaves and decades in frequency response?
- 18. What are the causes for occurrence of upper cutoff frequency in BJT?
- 19. What is the major contribution to the Miller capacitance in a MOSFET?
- 20. Define cut off frequency for a MOSFET.

PART -B

- 1. With neat sketch explain hybrid π CE transistor model. Derive the expression for various components in terms of 'h' parameters.
- 2. Discuss the frequency response of multistage amplifiers. Calculate the overall upper & lower cutoff frequencies.
- 3. Discuss the low frequency response & the high frequency response of an amplifier. Derive its cutoff frequencies.
- 4. Discuss the terms rise time and sag.
- 5. Write short notes on high frequency amplifier.
- 6. Derive the gain bandwidth for high frequency FET amplifiers.



- 7. Derive the expression for the CE short circuit current gain of transistor at high frequency
- 8. What is the effect of Cb'e on the input circuit of a BJT amplifier at High frequencies? Derive the equation for g_m which gives the relation between g_m, I_c and temperature.
- 9. Explain the high frequency analysis of JFET with necessary circuit diagram & gain bandwidth product.
- 10. Discuss the frequency response of MOSFET CS amplifier.
- 11. Determine the bandwidth of CE amplifier with the following specifications. R₁=100k Ω , R₂=10k Ω , R_C=9k Ω , R_E=2k Ω , C₁= C₂=25 μ F, C_E=50 μ F, r_{bb}'=100 Ω , r_b'e=1.1K Ω , h_{fe}=225, C_b'e=3pF and C_b'c=100pF.
- 12. At I_c=1mA & V_{CE}=10v, a certain transistor data shows C_c=C_{b'c}=3pF, h_{fe}=200, & ω_T=-500M rad/sec. Calculate gm, r_{b'e}, C_e=C_{b'e} & ω_β.

UNIT V

POWER SUPPLIES AND ELECTRONIC DEVICE TESTING

PART-A

- 1. What are the basic processes in integrated circuit fabrication?
- 2. Define common mode rejection ration? What is the ideal value?
- 3. Sketch the DC transfer characteristics of a MOSFET differential amplifier.
- 4. What are the advantages of an active load?
- 5. What is the impedance seen looking into a simple active load?
- 6. How the reference portion of the circuit can be designed with MOSFETs only.
- 7. How should a MOSFET be biased so as to operate as a stable current source?
- 8. Draw the circuit of MOSFET differential amplifier with active load.
- 9. What is the need for MOSFET differential amplifier with cascode active load?
- 10. What is meant by matched transistors?
- 11. Define common mode and differential mode input resistance and voltages.
- 12. What are the limiting factors for the maximum current in MOSFET?
- 13. Define enhancement and depletion mode of MOSFET.
- 14. Define saturation and non- saturation bias regions.
- 15. How do you prove that a MOSFET is biased in the saturation region?
- 16. Draw MOSFET cascode current source circuit.
- 17. What is another name of two transistor current source?
- 18. Draw the two transistor MOSFET current source.
- 19. What is Widlar current source
- 20. What is cascode current mirror?

PART -B

- 1. Describe the operation of an NMOS amplifier with either an enhancement load, a depletion load, or a PMOS load.
- 2. Explain the basic MOSFET two transistor current circuits and discuss its operation.
- 3. Draw the MOSFET cascode current source circuit, explain and discuss the advantage of this design.
- 4. Sketch and describe the advantages of a MOSFET cascode current source used with a MOSFET differential amplifier.
- 5. Design a CMOS differential amplifier with an output gain stage to meet a set of specifications. The magnitude of voltage gain of each stage is to be at least 600. Bias currents are to be $I_Q=I_{REF}=100\mu A$, and biasing of the circuit is to be $V^+=2.5$ v and $V^-=2.5$ v.
- 6. Explain CMOS differential amplifier and derive CMRR.
- 7. Draw a Widlar current source and explain the operation.
- 8. Describe the operation of a PMOS amplifier with an enhancement load, a depletion load.
- 9. Explain the CMOS common source and source follower with neat diagram.
- 10. Explain the large signal behavior of MOSFETs and compare the operating regions of Bipolar and MOS transistors.
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