



Attempt all questions, full mark: 100 Points

Time: 3 Hours

Question #1: (20 Points)

Choose the right answer:

1) **In a voltage-divider biased npn transistor, if the lower voltage-divider resistor (the one connected to ground) opens,**

D

- (A) the transistor is not affected (B) the transistor may be driven into cutoff
(C) the collector current will decrease (D) the transistor may be driven into saturation

2) **A differential amplifier**

D

- (A) is used in op-amps (B) has one input and one output
(C) has two outputs (D) answers (A) and (C)

3) **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

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

B

- (A) input signal power (B) power from the dc power supply
(C) power dissipated in the transistor (D) power dissipated in the last stage

5) **When operated in cutoff and saturation, the transistor acts like a**

B

- (A) linear amplifier (B) switch
(C) variable capacitor (D) variable resistor

6) **In saturation, V_{CE} is**

C

- (A) 0.7 V (B) equal to V_{CC}
(C) minimum (D) maximum

7) **A certain common-emitter amplifier has a voltage gain of 100. If the emitter bypass capacitor is removed,**

B

- (A) the circuit will become unstable (B) the voltage gain will decrease
(C) the voltage gain will increase (D) the Q-point will shift

8) **A differential amplifier**

D

- (A) is used in op-amps (B) has one input and one output
(C) has two outputs (D) answers (a) and (c)

9) **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

10) **If the gate-to-source voltage in an n-channel E-MOSFET is made more positive, the drain current will**

A

- (A) increase (B) remain unchanged
(C) decrease

Question #2: (10 Points)

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

$$\beta = \alpha / (1 - \alpha) = 99$$
$$I_E = (\beta + 1)I_B = 1 \text{ mA}$$
$$r_e' = 25 / I_E = 25 \Omega$$

- b) 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.

$$r_e' = 25 / I_E = 10 \Omega$$
$$R_C' = 2.2 / 10 = 1.8 \text{ K}\Omega$$
$$A_v = -R_C' / r_e' = -180$$

- c) 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 mA .

$$I_D = 5[1 - V_{GS}/(-8)]^2 = 2.25$$
$$V_{GS} = -2.63 \text{ V}$$

- d) Each stage of a four-stage amplifier has a voltage gain of 15. Find the overall voltage gain in dBs.

$$A_v = 94.09 \text{ dBs}$$

- e) An n-channel E-MOSFET has $I_{D(on)} = 18 \text{ mA}$ at $V_{GS} = 4 \text{ V}$, and $V_{GS(th)} = 2.5 \text{ V}$. Find I_D when $V_{GS} = 3.25 \text{ V}$.

$$K = 8 \text{ mA/V}^2$$
$$I_D = 4.5 \text{ mA}$$

Question #3: (10 Points)

The silicon npn transistor used in the swamped amplifier shown in Fig.3 has $\beta_{dc} = \beta_{ac} = 100$.

- a) Find I_{CQ} and V_{CEQ} .
- b) Find r_e' .
- c) Find the voltage gain and input impedance of the amplifier.

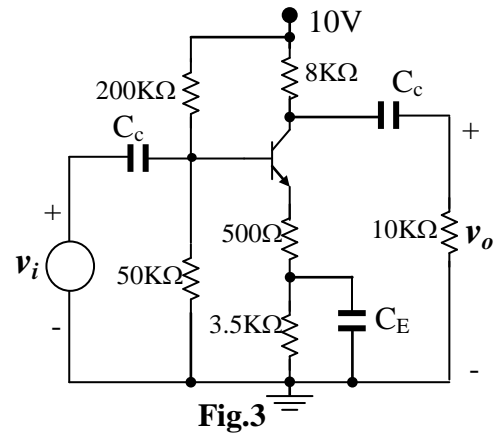


Fig.3

$I_{CQ} = 0.295 \text{ mA}$

$V_{CEQ} = 6.45 \text{ V}$

$r_e' = 84.6 \Omega$

$A_v = -7.6$

$Z_{in} = 23.75 \text{ K}\Omega$

Question #4: (12 Points)

The silicon npn transistor used in the common base amplifier of Fig.4 has $\beta_{dc} = \beta_{ac} = 250$.

- a) Find I_{CQ} and V_{CEQ} . (4 Points)
- b) Find r_e' . (2 Point)
- c) Find the voltage gain, current gain and input impedance of the circuit. (6 Points)

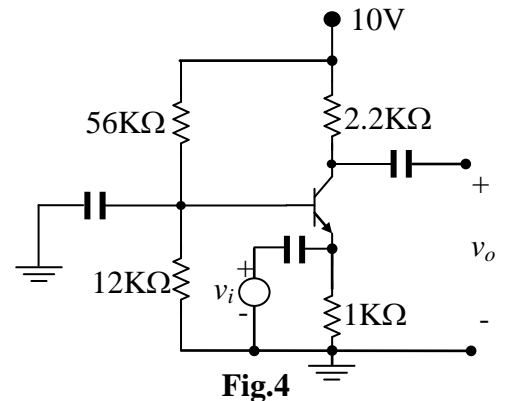


Fig.4

$I_{CQ} = 1.02 \text{ mA}$

$V_{CEQ} = 6.74 \text{ V}$

$r_e' = 24.5 \Omega$

$A_v = 89.8$

$A_i = 1$

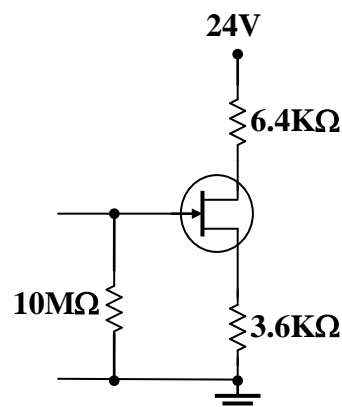
$Z_{in} = 24.5 \Omega$

Question #5: (5 Points)

- a) A certain JFET datasheet gives $I_{DSS} = 10 \text{ mA}$ and $V_{GS(off)} = -8 \text{ V}$. Determine the drain current for $V_{GS} = -5 \text{ V}$. (2 Points)
- b) The transistor is to operate at: $V_{GSQ} = -5 \text{ V}$, $V_{DSQ} = 10 \text{ V}$. Draw a suitable circuit to bias this transistor giving suitable resistances values, assuming that $V_{DD} = 24 \text{ V}$ (3 Points)

$I_D = 1.41 \text{ mA}$

The Circuit Diagram



Question #6: (8 Points)

The class AB amplifier in Fig.6 is operating with a single power supply.

- (a) Assuming the input voltage is 10 V peak-to-peak, determine the power delivered to the load resistor. (3 Points)
- (b) What is the maximum power that could be delivered to the load resistor? (3 Points)
- (c) Assume the power supply voltage is raised to 24 V. What is the new maximum power that could be delivered to the load resistor? (2 Points)

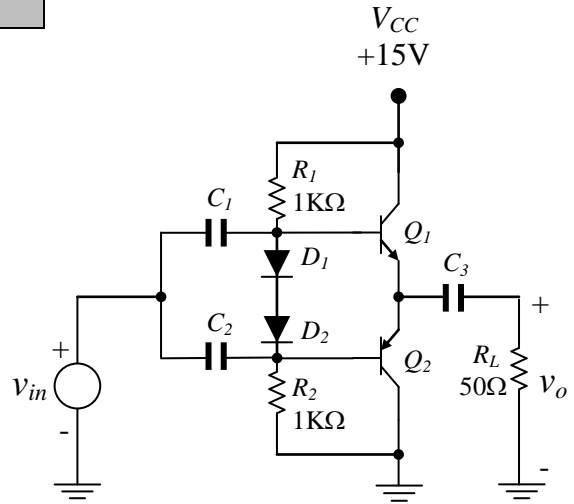


Fig.6

$P_{LD} =$ 0.25 W

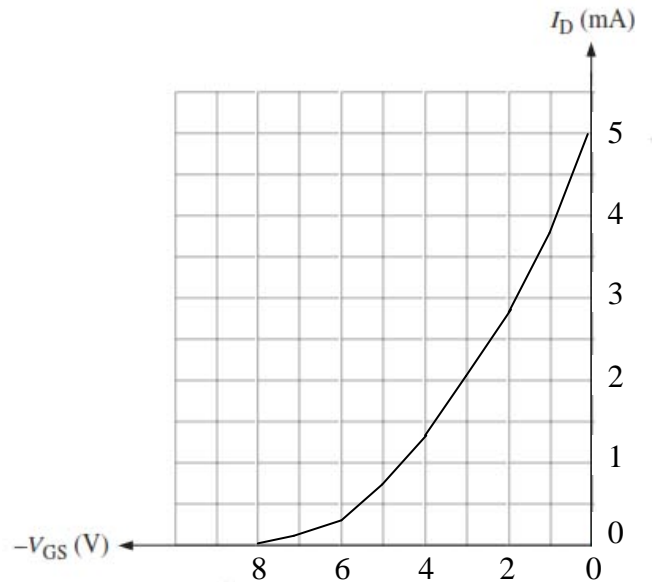
$P_{LD(max)} =$ 0.5625 W
For $V_{CC}=15V$

$P_{LD(max)} =$ 1.44 W
For $V_{CC}=24V$

Question #7: (8 Points)

The following parameters are obtained from a certain JFET datasheet: $I_{DSS} = 5$ mA and $V_{GS(off)} = -8$ V. Determine the values of I_D for each value of V_{GS} ranging from 0 V to -8 V in 1 V steps. Plot the transfer characteristic curve from these data.

V_{GS}/volts	0	-1	-2	-3	-4	-5	-6	-7	-8
I_D/mA	5	3.8	2.8	2	1.25	0.7	0.31	0.08	0



Question #8: (12 Points)

The E-MOSFET used in the common-source amplifier in Fig.8 has $I_{D(on)} = 200$ mA at $V_{GS} = 4$ V and $V_{GS(th)} = 2$ V.

- a) Determine the operating point V_{GSQ} , I_{DQ} and V_{DSQ} . (6 Points)
- b) Calculate the value of the transconductance g_m at the Q-point (2 Points)
- c) Determine the voltage gain and input impedance of the amplifier. (4 Points)

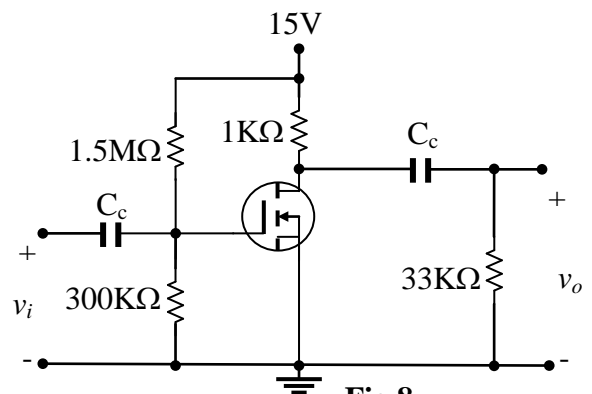


Fig.8

$V_{GSQ} =$ 2.5 V

$I_{DQ} =$ 12.5 mA

$V_{DSQ} =$ 2.5 V

$g_m =$ 50 mS

$A_v =$ -48.5

$Z_{in} =$ 250 KΩ

Question #9: (15 Points)

For the amplifier circuit of Fig.9, Determine the critical frequencies (f_{L1} , f_{L2} , f_{L3}) associated with the low-frequency response, the critical frequencies (f_{H1} , f_{H2}) associated with the high-frequency response.

$\beta_{dc} = \beta_{ac} = 100$, $h_{ie} = 900\Omega$, $r_e' = 9\Omega$, $C_{be} = 25\text{pF}$, $C_{bc} = 10\text{pF}$, $R_s = 600\Omega$, $R_1 = 68\text{K}\Omega$, $R_2 = 18\text{K}\Omega$, $R_E = 500\Omega$, $R_C = 1.8\text{K}\Omega$, $R_L = 1.8\text{K}\Omega$, $C_1 = 0.5\mu\text{F}$, $C_2 = 10\mu\text{F}$, $C_3 = 1\mu\text{F}$.

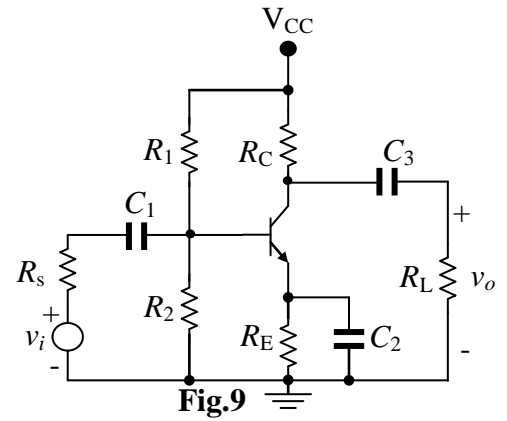


Fig.9

$C = C_1 = 0.5 \mu\text{F}$ $R = (R_1 // R_2 // h_{ie}) + R_s = 1.446 \text{ K}\Omega$ $f_{L1} = \frac{10^6}{2\pi \times 0.5 \times 1446} = 220 \text{ Hz}$	$f_{L1} = 220 \text{ Hz}$
$C = C_2 = 10 \mu\text{F}$ $R = \{[(R_1 // R_2 // R_s) + h_{ie}] / h_{fe}\} // R_E = 14.4 \Omega$ $f_{L1} = \frac{10^6}{2\pi \times 10 \times 14.4} = 1112 \text{ Hz}$	$f_{L2} = 1112 \text{ Hz}$
$C = C_3 = 1 \mu\text{F}$ $R = (R_C + R_L) = 3.6 \text{ K}\Omega$ $f_{L1} = \frac{10^6}{2\pi \times 1 \times 3600} = 44 \text{ Hz}$	$f_{L3} = 44 \text{ Hz}$
$C_{in} = C_{be} + (A_v + 1) C_{bc} = 1035 \text{ pF}$ $R_{in} = (R_1 // R_2 // h_{ie} // R_s) = 351 \Omega$ $f_{L1} = \frac{10^{12}}{2\pi \times 1035 \times 351} = 438 \text{ KHz}$	$f_{H1} = 438 \text{ KHz}$
$C_{in} \cong C_{bc} = 10 \text{ pF}$ $R_{out} = (R_C // R_L) = 900 \Omega$ $f_{L1} = \frac{10^{12}}{2\pi \times 10 \times 900} = 17.7 \text{ MHz}$	$f_{H2} = 17.7 \text{ MHz}$