

**B.E DEGREE EXAMINATIONS: NOV/DEC 2024**

(Regulation 2018)

Third Semester

**MECHATRONICS ENGINEERING**

U18MCI3201: Electronics Devices and Circuits

**COURSE OUTCOMES**

- CO1: Use passive elements and basic theorems to solve electric circuits.  
 CO2: Understand the basic principles of semiconductor devices.  
 CO3: Use diode to construct regulators, rectifiers, and other applications.  
 CO4: Analyze small signal amplifiers and oscillators constructed using transistors.  
 CO5: Apply op-amp to construct various applications.

**Time: Three Hours****Maximum Marks: 100****Answer all the Questions:-****PART A (10 x 2 = 20 Marks)****(Answer not more than 40 words)**

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| 1. State Kirchhoff's current law (KCL).                                     | CO1 | [K <sub>2</sub> ] |
| 2. Define the concept of maximum power transfer theorem.                    | CO1 | [K <sub>2</sub> ] |
| 3. What is a PN junction? Discuss its properties.                           | CO2 | [K <sub>2</sub> ] |
| 4. Explain the difference between forward bias and reverse bias of a diode. | CO2 | [K <sub>2</sub> ] |
| 5. What is a half-wave rectifier?   | CO3 | [K <sub>2</sub> ] |
| 6. Differentiate between series and shunt voltage regulators.               | CO3 | [K <sub>2</sub> ] |
| 7. State Barkhausen's stability criterion.                                  | CO4 | [K <sub>2</sub> ] |
| 8. State the principle of a differential amplifier.                         | CO4 | [K <sub>2</sub> ] |
| 9. Describe the operation of an inverting op-amp.                           | CO5 | [K <sub>2</sub> ] |
| 10. What is a comparator in an operational amplifier?                       | CO5 | [K <sub>2</sub> ] |

**Answer any FIVE Questions:-****PART B (5 x 16 = 80 Marks)****(Answer not more than 400 words)**

11. You are tasked with designing a power supply for an electronic device that operates on 12V DC. The input available is 230V AC. You need to design a power supply circuit that includes a rectifier, filter, and voltage regulator. The load requires a current of 1.5A. Assume that a full-wave rectifier is used.

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|     | a) | Calculate the value of the transformer secondary voltage and current.   | 7 | CO1 | [K <sub>3</sub> ] |
|     | b) | Design a full-wave rectifier circuit and explain how the components work together to convert AC to DC.  | 7 | CO3 | [K <sub>3</sub> ] |
|     | c) | Explain the function of a filter and voltage regulator in the circuit.  | 2 | CO3 | [K <sub>2</sub> ] |
| 12. |    | You are designing an amplifier for a communication system that requires an output of 10W with an input signal of 0.1V peak. The frequency of operation is 1 kHz. The amplifier must have a voltage gain of 100 and operate efficiently within this frequency range. |   |     |                   |
|     | a) | Explain how you would design a common-emitter amplifier to meet the voltage gain requirements.  | 7 | CO4 | [K <sub>3</sub> ] |
|     | b) | Analyze the stability and bandwidth of the amplifier. How would you ensure that the signal is amplified without distortion?   | 7 | CO4 | [K <sub>3</sub> ] |
|     | c) | Describe the role of feedback in improving the performance of the amplifier.  | 2 | CO2 | [K <sub>2</sub> ] |
| 13. | a) | Derive the h-parameter model for a low-frequency small-signal amplifier using a common-emitter configuration.   | 7 | CO3 | [K <sub>3</sub> ] |
|     | b) | Discuss the effect of cascading amplifiers on the overall gain and bandwidth of the system.   | 7 | CO3 | [K <sub>3</sub> ] |
|     | c) | How does temperature affect the performance of a small-signal amplifier?  | 2 | CO2 | [K <sub>2</sub> ] |
| 14. | a) | Explain the operation of a Hartley oscillator. Provide the necessary design equations.  | 7 | CO4 | [K <sub>3</sub> ] |
|     | b) | Compare the Colpitts oscillator and Hartley oscillator in terms of their design and application.  | 7 | CO4 | [K <sub>3</sub> ] |
|     | c) | Why is it important for an oscillator circuit to meet the Barkhausen stability criterion?   | 2 | CO4 | [K <sub>2</sub> ] |
| 15. | a) | Design a Zener diode-based voltage regulator for a 5V output with a current rating of 100mA.  | 7 | CO3 | [K <sub>3</sub> ] |
|     | b) | Explain the working of a clipper circuit using diodes to limit the voltage of a signal.   | 7 | CO5 | [K <sub>3</sub> ] |

- c) What is the significance of a clamping circuit in signal processing? 2 CO5 [K<sub>2</sub>]
16. a) Explain the working of a Schmitt trigger circuit using an operational amplifier. 7 CO5 [K<sub>3</sub>]
- b) How is an astable multivibrator designed using op-amps? Explain with a circuit diagram. 7 CO5 [K<sub>3</sub>]
- c) What is the role of an integrator circuit in signal conditioning? 2 CO5 [K<sub>2</sub>]

<b>COURSE OUTCOME</b>	<b>CO1</b>	<b>CO2</b>	<b>CO3</b>	<b>CO4</b>	<b>CO5</b>
Marks ( % )	17	23	23	20	17
<b>COGNITIVE LEVEL</b>	<b>Remember (K1)</b>	<b>Understand (K2)</b>	<b>Apply (K3)</b>	<b>Analyse (K4)</b>	<b>Evaluate (K5)</b>
Marks ( % )	0	28	72	0	0

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