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Duration : **3 hours**

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General Instructions

1. Read all instructions carefully before answering the questions.
2. This question paper consists of **Eight (8)** questions in **Eight (8)** pages.
3. Answer **Five (5)** questions only, selecting **at least two questions each from part A and part B**. All questions carry equal marks.
4. Answer for each question should commence from a new page.
5. This is a Closed Book Test (CBT).
6. Answers should be in clear hand writing.
7. Do not use Red color pen.

Part A

Question 01

- a) In the operational amplifier circuit shown in Figure Q1(a), the input voltage V_i is 0.4V. Calculate the Output voltage V_o in Volts.

[3 Marks]

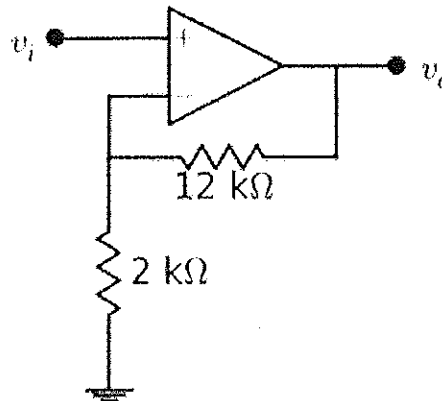


Figure Q1(a)

- b) Determine the Output voltage V_o in Volts, for the Operational amplifier circuit given in the Figure Q1(b). The input voltages are $V_1 = -5V$ and $V_2 = 2V$.

[7 Marks]

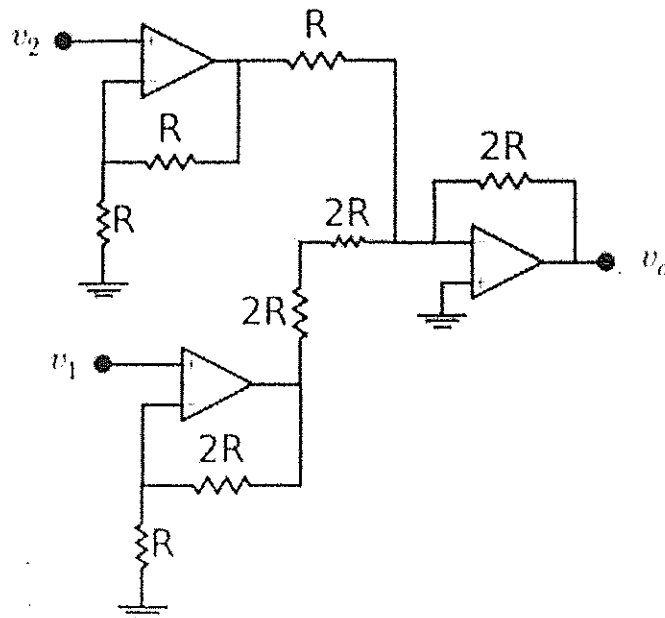


Figure Q1(b)

- c) Find the Thévenin and Norton equivalent circuits for the circuit shown in Figure Q1(c).
[10 Marks]

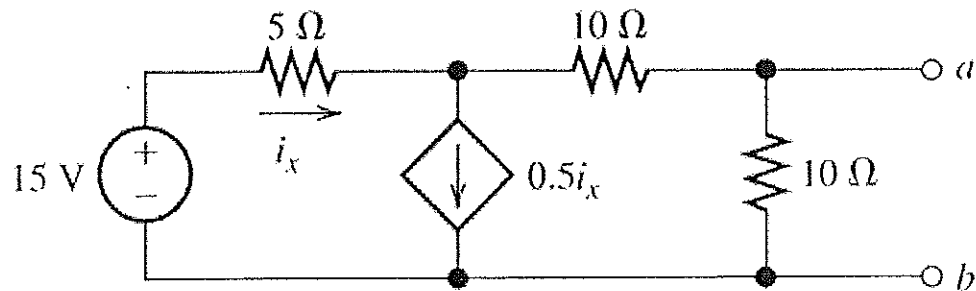


Figure Q1(c)

Question 02

- a) What are the main advantages of Hexadecimal numbering system?
[3 Marks]
- b) Perform the following conversions between number systems clearly showing necessary steps.
- i. Convert the Hexadecimal $12\text{EFB}35\text{C}_{16}$ to Binary representation.
[3 Marks]
 - ii. Convert the Binary number 00011111_2 to Decimal representation.
[3 Marks]
- c) State the De' Morgan's theorem.
[3 Marks]
- d) Simplify the following Function.
[4 Marks]

$$G(A, B, C) = (A + B)(\bar{A} + B + C)(\bar{A} + B + \bar{C})$$

- e) Draw a logic diagram for the following function using NAND and inverter gates.
[4 Marks]

$$G(A, B, C) = (A\bar{B} + \bar{A}C + \bar{A}B\bar{C})$$

Question 03

a) State three advantages of using the Zener diode.

[3 Marks]

b) For the BJT circuit shown in Figure Q3(b),

$$V_{CC} = 10V, V_{BB} = 4V, R_B = 125 \text{ k}\Omega, R_E = 2 \text{ k}\Omega, \text{ and } \beta = 200$$

i. Sketch the transistor small-signal equivalent circuit (r_e model)

[2 Marks]

ii. Determine:

1. r_e [Let, $V_T = 26\text{mV}$ (Thermal voltage)]

[2 Marks]

2. Input and output Impedance (Z_i and Z_o)

[3 Marks]

3. voltage gain (A_v)

[3 Marks]

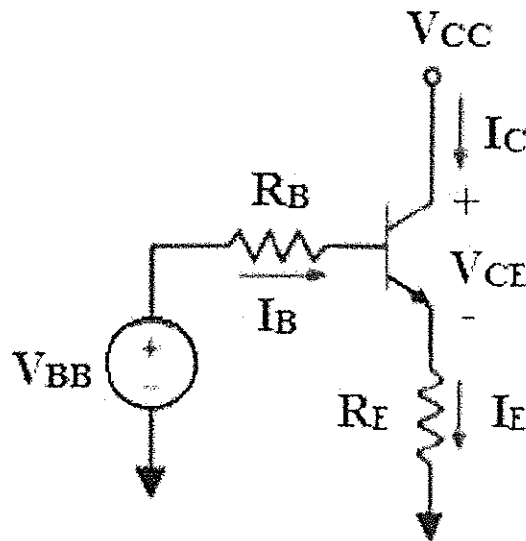


Figure Q3(b)

- c) A Zener diode voltage regulator is shown in Figure Q3(c). The Zener diode is characterized by forward conducting threshold voltage ($V_{th} = 0.75$), reverse conducting threshold voltage ($V_z = -3.3$ V) and small-signal resistance ($R_z = 50 \Omega$).
 $V_S = 5$ V, $R_S = 250 \Omega$, $R_L = 2$ k Ω .

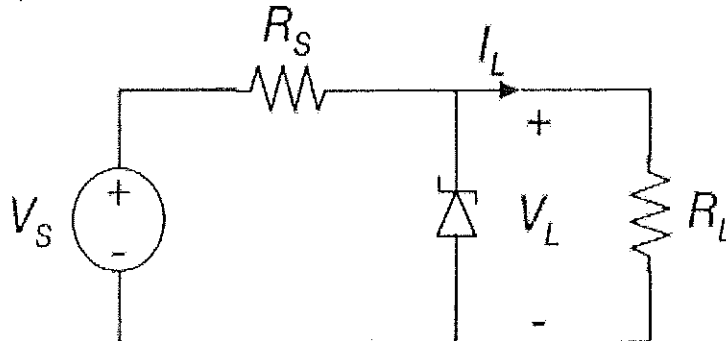


Figure Q3(c)

- i. Draw the equivalent circuit of the regulator when the Zener is forward and reverse conducting. [5 Marks]
- ii. Calculate the voltage V_L across the load R_L . [3 Marks]
- iii. Calculate the power dissipated in the load R_L . [2 Marks]

Question 04

- a) A 3-phase, 60Hz, 200hp, 2400V, 8 pole, Y-connected synchronous motor has a phase synchronous reactance of 12Ω per phase and negligible resistance. The motor draws 150kW at a power angle of 18 degrees.

Determine;

- i. Excitation voltage [3 Marks]
- ii. Line current [2 Marks]
- iii. Power factor [2 Marks]
- iv. Under maximum power condition determine the torque [3 Marks]

- b) A 3-phase induction motor is wound for four poles and is supplied from a 50Hz supply. Calculate;
- i. The synchronous Speed [3 Marks]
 - ii. The speed of the rotor when slip is 3% [3 Marks]
 - iii. The rotor frequency when speed of rotor is 900rpm [4 Marks]

Part B

Question 05

- a) Briefly explain what is a sensor. Give an example of a sensor and describe its function. [4 Marks]
- b) List the factors that need to be taken into consideration when selecting a sensor for a particular application. [4 Marks]
- c) Briefly explain what is a displacement sensor and name three sensors which are used for displacement measurement. [4 Marks]
- d) Calculate the number of bits an Analog to Digital Converter (ADC) must have in order to handle a signal with a 96dB dynamic range. [8 Marks]

Question 06

- a) Discuss the differences between incremental and absolute rotary encoder. [5 Marks]
- b) A 10-bit Gray code optical encoder is outputting the number 0011100101. Determine the indicated angle. [5 Marks]
- c) State three main advantages of Gray code. [4 Marks]
- d) An absolute optical rotary encoder in a certain application must have a resolution of 3° . Determine the number of tracks of this encoder. [6 Marks]

Question 07

- a) List the three common types of stepper motors. Briefly explain each type. [5 Marks]
- b) Determine the basic step angle for the following stepper motors.
- i. 6 stator phases - 4 rotor teeth, 3-phase, single stack variable reluctance motor [2 Marks]
 - ii. 4 stator phases - 6 rotor teeth, 2-phase, permanent magnet motor [2 Marks]
 - iii. 4 stator phases - 5 rotor teeth, 2-phase, hybrid motor [2 Marks]
- c) Consider the Single-stack, 3-phase variable reluctance stepper motor shown in Figure Q07. Find the step angle for the following phase-switching sequences. [9 Marks]

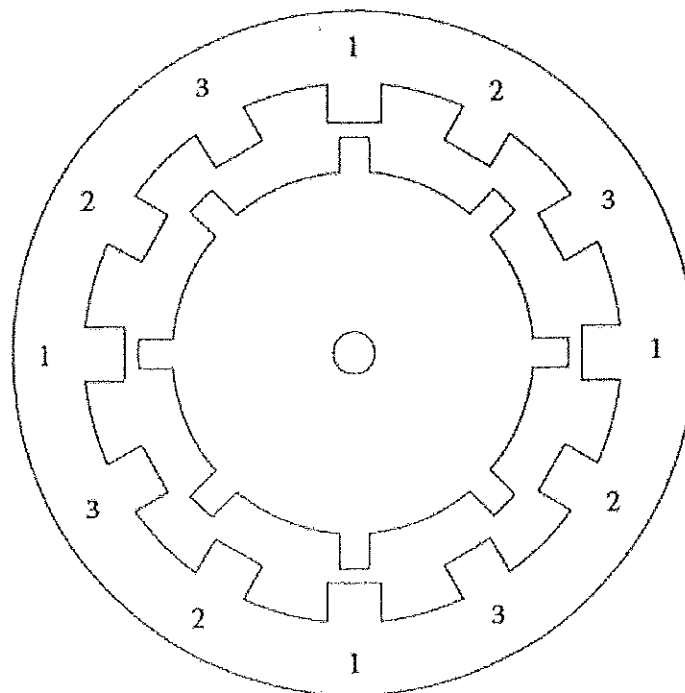


Figure: Q07

Question 08

- a) State three main functions of the pneumatic air service unit. [3 Marks]
- b) Draw the graphical symbol and label the ports for a pneumatic four-way, two-position Directional control valve (DCV) with pushbutton actuation. [7 Marks]
- c) Design a Pneumatic circuit diagram consisting of a 3/2-way, lever operated, spring return directional control valve to extend a single acting spring return cylinder. The air flow of the cylinder should be controlled and the diagram should include the FRL unit, compressor and other necessary controls. [10 Marks]

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