



## **EAST AFRICAN SCHOOL OF AVIATION EXAMINATION**

### **END TERM I EXAMS**

**DIPLOMA IN AERONAUTICAL ENGINEERING**

### **Electronics and Control Systems**

**STREAM: Module II March (Airframes & Engines)**

**Duration: 3 Hrs**

**DAY/DATE: 04/04/2017**

**TIME: 9-12 PM**

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#### **INSTRUCTION TO CANDIDATES**

*You should have the following for this examination:*

- i) Answer booklet*
- ii) Mathematical table/ scientific calculator*

*Answer ANY THREE QUESTIONS IN SECTION A and ALL IN-SECTION B in this paper*

*All questions carry equal marks.*

*Maximum marks for each part of a question are as shown*

**This paper consists of Five (5) printed pages.**

**Candidates should check the question paper to ascertain that all the pages are printed as indicated and that no questions are missing.**

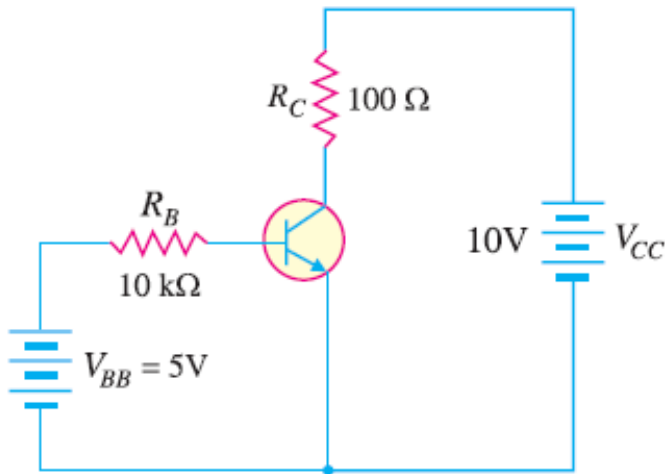
## SECTION A (Electronics)

*Answer any THREE questions from this Section.*

1. (a) Explain the salient feature of Bohr's atomic model. **(2 marks)**  
(b) Draw and explain the V-I characteristics of a *pn* junction. **(4 marks)**  
(c) With the aid of diagram explain the operation of a transistor as an amplifier **(6 marks)**  
(d) A transistor is connected in CE configuration in which collector supply is 8V and the voltage drop across resistance  $R_C$  connected in the collector circuit is 0.5V. The value of  $R_C = 800\Omega$ . If  $\alpha = 0.96$  determine;
  - i. Collector- emitter voltage
  - ii. Base current. **(8 marks)**
2. (a) Explain why is the energy of an electron more in higher orbits. **(2 marks)**  
(b) Explain the concept of energy bands in solids. **(4 marks)**  
(c) With the aid of diagram state **Three** possible transistor connection. **(6 marks)**  
(d) An n-p-n transistor at room temperature has its emitter disconnected. A voltage of 5V is applied between collector and base. With collector, positive, a current of  $0.2\ \mu\text{A}$  flows. When the base is disconnected and the same voltage is applied between collector and emitter, the current is found to be  $20\ \mu\text{A}$ . Find  $\alpha$ ,  $I_E$  and  $I_B$  when collector current is 1mA. **(8 marks)**
3. (a) Describe the following with the help of energy level diagram
  - i. Valance band
  - ii. Conduction band
  - iii. Forbidden energy gap. **(6 marks)**

(b) Draw and explain the input and output characteristics of CB connection. **(4 marks)**

(c) Determine  $V_{CB}$  in the transistor circuit shown in the Figure 1. The transistor is of silicon and has  $\beta = 150$ . **(10 marks)**



**Figure 1**

4. (a) Describe the following with the help of energy level diagram;

i. Conductor

ii. Insulator

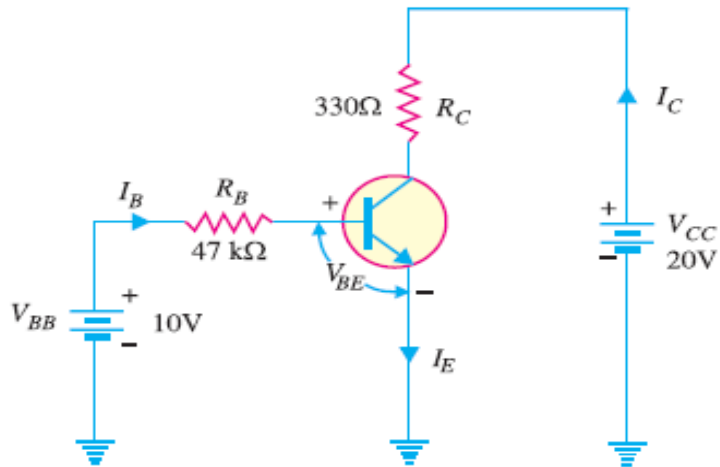
iii. Semiconductor. **(6 marks)**

(b) Distinguish between the following term as applied in semiconductor;

i. Intrinsic and Extrinsic

ii. Majority and Minority Carriers. **(4 marks)**

(c) Determine the Q point of the transistor circuit shown in Figure 2. Also draw the d.c. load line. Given  $\beta = 200$  and  $V_{BE} = 0.7V$ . **(10 marks)**



**Figure 2**

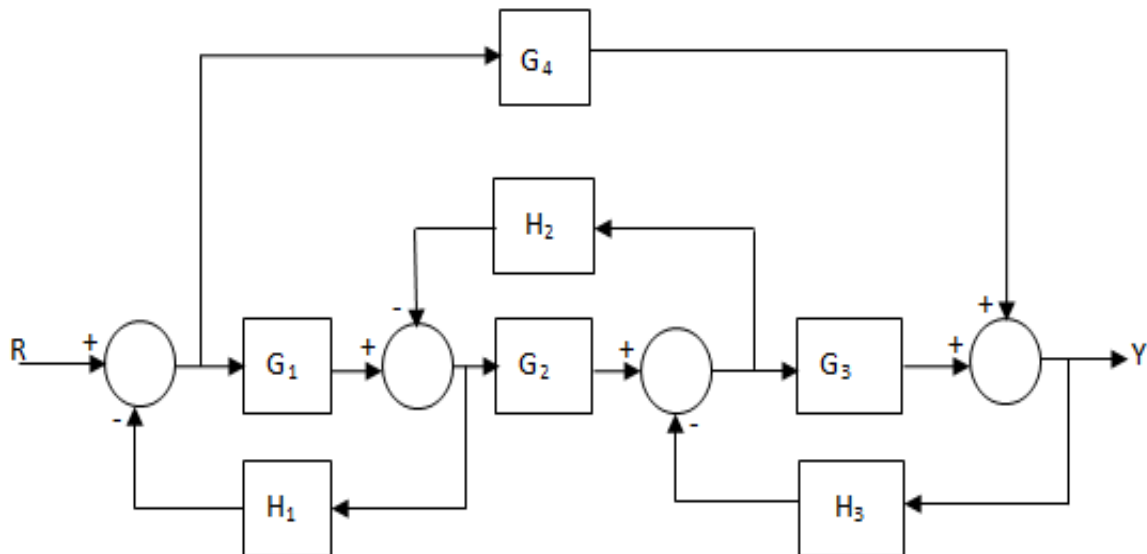
5. (a) State **Two** properties of semiconductors. **(2 marks)**
- (b) Discuss the effect of temperature on semiconductors. **(4 marks)**
- (c) Draw a transistor dc load line and explain the following terms;
- i. Q- point
  - ii. Cut-off point
  - iii. Saturation point. **(6 marks)**
- (d) With the aid of a diagram explain the principle of operation of the following devices;
- i. Zener Diodes
  - ii. Bipolar Junction Transistor **(8 marks)**

## SECTION B (Control Systems)

*Answer ALL questions from this Section*

6. a) Define the following terms as used in control systems: -
- i. Manipulated input. **(1 mark)**
  - ii. Hybrid systems. **(1 mark)**
  - iii. Actuator element. **(1 mark)**
- b) State any four advantages of a closed loop control system **(4 marks)**
- c) From first principle, show that the overall transfer functions of closed loop system with positive feedback is given by: -
- $$\frac{X_s}{Y_s} = \frac{G(S)}{1-G(S)H(S)} \quad \textbf{(5 marks)}$$
- d) Draw a block diagram and state all the elements and signals of the basic structure of a feedback control system. **(8 marks)**

7. a) Reduce the following system into canonical form hence give the overall transfer function using: -
- i. Block reduction formula **(12 marks)**



b) State the following as used in control systems: -

- i. Superposition. (2 mark)
- ii. Node. (2 mark)
- iii. Branch. (2 mark)
- iv. Block. (2 mark)

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