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TECHNOLOGY (BSC IT 11M)

ICS 2200: ELECTRONICS

SPECIAL/SUPPLEMENTARY EXAMINATION

SERIES: FEBRUARY/MARCH 2012

TIME: 2 HOURS

Instructions to Candidates:

You should have the following for this examination

- *Answer Booklet*

This paper consist of **FIVE** questions in **TWO** sections **A & B**

Answer question **ONE (COMPULSORY)** and any other **TWO** questions

Maximum marks for each part of a question are as shown

This paper consists of **TWO** printed pages

SECTION A (COMPULSORY)

Question 1

- Describe briefly any **TWO** types of electronic circuits (2 marks)
- State Kirchhoff's Laws (2 marks)
- Distinguish between Thevinin and Nortons theorems
- Calculate the effective capacitance given that two capacitors of 20 pico Farads and 0.1 micro Farads are connected in parallel
- Describe briefly any **FOUR** types of Capacitors (5 marks)
- Describe forward bias and reverse biasing of a diode with the aid of a sketch

- g) Explain how a small base current is attained compared to collector or emitter current in a transistor (2 marks)
- h) (i) Distinguish between positive and negative feedback in electronic circuits
(ii) State any application of positive and negative feedback in electronic circuits (6 marks)
- i) Describe MOSFET with the aid of a sketch (3 marks)
- j) Describe with the aid of a diagram **FOUR** major regions of a JFET output voltage-current characteristics with the aid of a diagram (10 marks)

SECTION B (Answer any two questions)

Question 2

- a) (i) Explain how full-wave rectification of AC to DC is achieved with the aid of a diagram.
(ii) Describe briefly any other **TWO** applications of diodes (8 marks)
- b) (i) State **THREE** main bipolar transistor configurations
(ii) Describe with the aid of sketch how the configuration in Q2 (b)(i) are attained (12 marks)

Question 3

- a) (i) State the **TWO** types of field transistors FET
(ii) Explain **THREE** main advantages of FET over Bipolar transistors (7 marks)
- b) Describe **THREE** classes of transistor amplifiers with the aid of a sketch (6 marks)
- c) Explain the V/I characteristics of a diode for both forward and reverse biasing with aid of a sketch (7 marks)

Question 4

- a) (i) Define the oscillator as applied to electronic devices and circuits
(ii) Describe **TWO** major types of oscillators (6 marks)
- b) Outline any **SIX** LC oscillator tuned tank circuit requirements that are necessary (6 marks)
- c) (i) Define Wien Oscillator
(ii) Outline any **TWO** advantages of Wien Oscillator over LC oscillator (3 marks)

Question 5

- a) Describe **TWO** application of Op-amp (6 marks)
- b) Distinguish between the following types of operational amplifiers Op-amps
(i) Inverting op-amp and non-inverting Op-Amp with the aid of a sketch
(ii) Differential Op-amp and Summing Op-amp (12 marks)