



# UNIVERSITY OF RUHUNA

## Faculty of Engineering

End-Semester 5 Examination in Engineering: March 2026

Module Number: EE5202      Module Name: Electronic Circuit Design  
[Three Hours]

[Answer all questions, each question carries 12.5 marks]

- Q1 a) What are the two types of electrical components in circuits. Write the differences of those two. (2 Marks)
- b) Mention two main specifications for capacitors and two main specifications for resistors (2 Marks)
- c) What is meant by worst-case circuit analysis? (1 Mark)
- d) In the given circuit diagram Fig. 1 below find the nominal value of the gain and also worst-case minimum and worst-case maximum gain. Tolerance of the resistors are  $\pm 5\%$ .

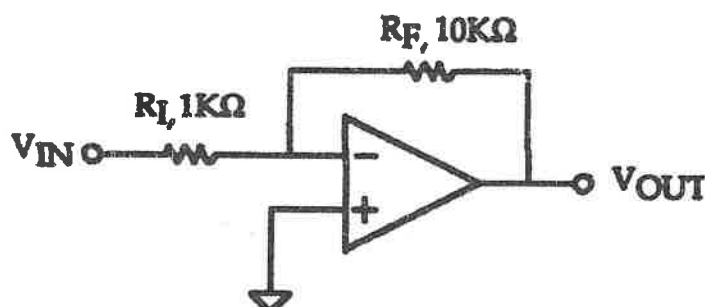


Fig 1. Inverted Op-amp Circuit

- e) Draw the V-I characteristic graph of a Zener diode and explain the concept of reverse breakdown in a Zener diode. (2 Marks)
- f) Consider a basic Zener regulator circuit given in Fig. 2; Given that  $0 \leq I_L \leq 150 \text{ mA}$ ,  $I_{z,knee} = 1 \text{ mA}$ ,  $V_{in} = 20 \text{ V} \pm 5\%$ , and  $V_{out} = 10 \text{ V}$ . Find, (1 Mark)

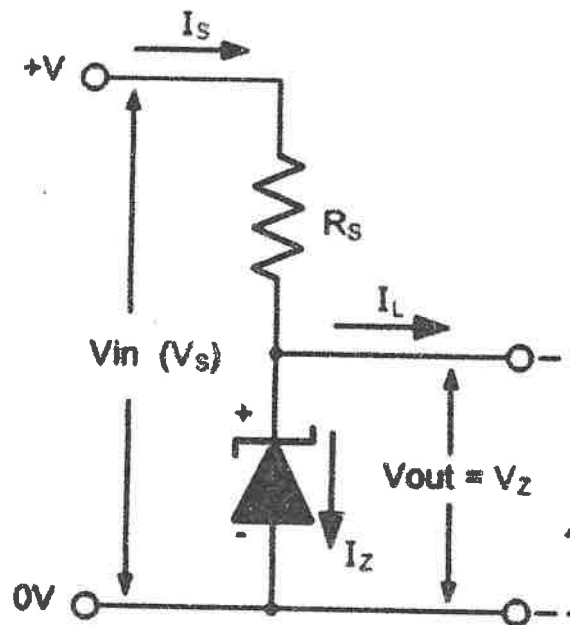


Fig 2. Basic Zener regulator circuit

- i) The value for  $R_s$  from when the tolerance is 5% (range of the  $R_s$ ).
- ii) Suitable Zener diode from the followings.  $P_{ZM1} = 3 \text{ W}$   $P_{ZM2} = 1.5 \text{ W}$

(4.5 Marks)

- Q2
- a) Write 4 benefits of PCBs. (2 Marks)
  - b) Write 4 types pf PCBs. (2 Marks)
  - c) Write 2 types of holes drilled in PCBs. (2 Marks)
  - d) Explain the solder masking process and the benefits of it. (2 Marks)
  - e) What is **signal integrity**, and what is meant by **etching** in the context of PCB fabrication? (2 Marks)
  - f) What are **three major coating techniques**, and give **one advantage** for each? (2.5 Marks)
- Q3
- a) Draw the **construction of an n-type MOSFET** and label all the essential regions. (2 Marks)
  - b) Write down types of the MOSFETs. (1 Mark)
  - c) What is the primary purpose of the oxide layer in a MOSFET? (1 Mark)
  - d) What are the **operating regions of a MOSFET**, and explain the behavior of the device in each region.

- e) Write two advantages of small signal MOSFET Amplifiers. (1.5 Marks)
- f) Design the circuit in Fig. 3 to obtain  $I=1\ \mu\text{A}$ ,  $I_D=0.5\ \text{mA}$ ,  $V_S=2\ \text{V}$ , and  $V_{DD}=5\ \text{V}$ . The NMOS transistor has  $V_{th}=0.5\ \text{V}$ ,  $\beta=4\ \text{mA/V}^2$ . (1 Mark)
- (3 Marks)

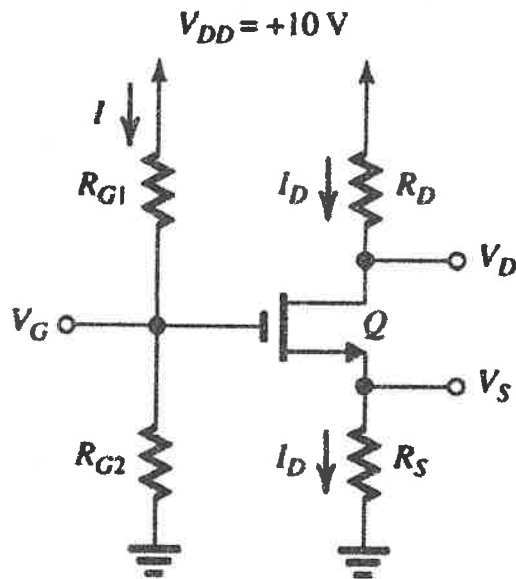


Fig.3 MOSFET circuit diagram

- g) prove that small signal resistance is  $r = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\beta I}}$ . (3 Marks)
- h) . Write down the **two types of enhancement-load NMOS** configurations. (2 Marks)
- Q4 a) The two main types of filters used in electronic circuits, when classified by their signal processing domain. (1 Mark)
- b) What are the four types of filter responses and draw their response curves. (1 mark)
- c) Define the cutoff frequency of a filter. (2 marks)
- d) write down the four names characteristic curves of the filters and draw their curves. (1 Mark)
- e) Derive the relationship between the resistance and capacitance in a first-order low-pass filter that has a cutoff frequency of 1 kHz and a DC gain of 2. (2 Marks)
- f) Derive the transfer function of a low pass 2nd order filter using a Sallen key topology given below in Fig.4 using R, C and s. (2 Marks)

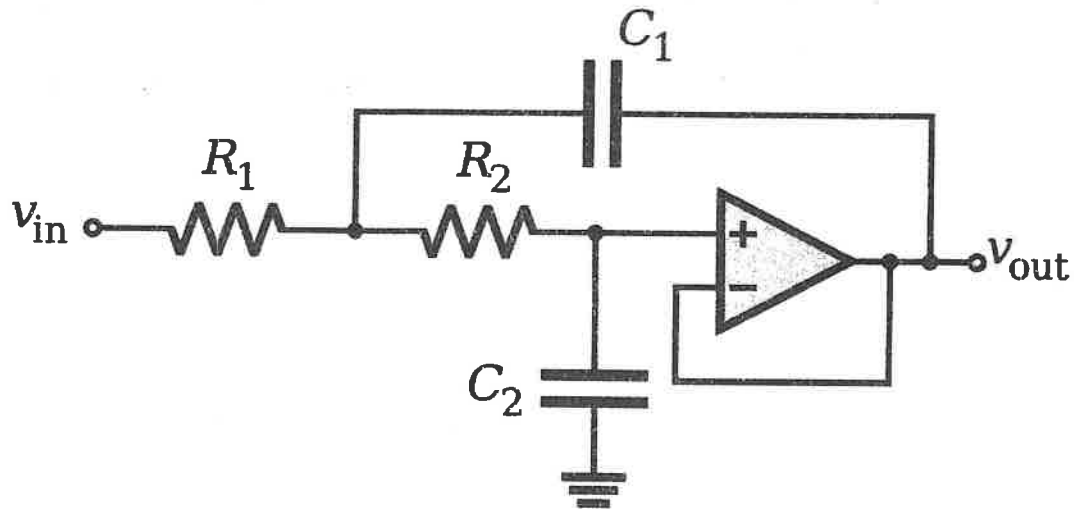


Fig.4 Second Order filter using Sallen key topology

(2.5 Marks)

- g) Design a fifth order unity gain Butterworth low pass filter with the corner frequency of 100 kHz,  $C_{A1}$  (**filter 1**) = 2 nF,  $C_{B2}$  (**filter 2**) = 410 pF, and  $C_{B3}$  (**filter 3**) = 660 pF using the coefficient table given below in Fig. 5.

(2 Marks)

| $n$ | $l$ | $a_l$  | $b_l$  | $k_l = f_{cl} / f_c$ | $Q_l$ |
|-----|-----|--------|--------|----------------------|-------|
| 1   | 1   | 1.0000 | 0.0000 | 1.000                | —     |
| 2   | 1   | 1.4142 | 1.0000 | 1.000                | 0.71  |
| 3   | 1   | 1.0000 | 0.0000 | 1.000                | —     |
|     | 2   | 1.0000 | 1.0000 | 1.272                | 1.00  |
| 4   | 1   | 1.8478 | 1.0000 | 0.719                | 0.54  |
|     | 2   | 0.7654 | 1.0000 | 1.390                | 1.31  |
| 5   | 1   | 1.0000 | 0.0000 | 1.000                | —     |
|     | 2   | 1.6180 | 1.0000 | 0.859                | 0.82  |
|     | 3   | 0.6180 | 1.0000 | 1.448                | 1.82  |
| 6   | 1   | 1.9319 | 1.0000 | 0.676                | 0.52  |
|     | 2   | 1.4142 | 1.0000 | 1.000                | 0.71  |
|     | 3   | 0.5176 | 1.0000 | 1.479                | 1.93  |
| 7   | 1   | 1.0000 | 0.0000 | 1.000                | —     |
|     | 2   | 1.8019 | 1.0000 | 0.745                | 0.55  |
|     | 3   | 1.2470 | 1.0000 | 1.117                | 0.80  |
|     | 4   | 0.4450 | 1.0000 | 1.499                | 2.25  |
| 8   | 1   | 1.9616 | 1.0000 | 0.661                | 0.51  |
|     | 2   | 1.6629 | 1.0000 | 0.829                | 0.60  |
|     | 3   | 1.1111 | 1.0000 | 1.206                | 0.90  |
|     | 4   | 0.3902 | 1.0000 | 1.512                | 2.56  |
| 9   | 1   | 1.0000 | 0.0000 | 1.000                | —     |
|     | 2   | 1.8794 | 1.0000 | 0.703                | 0.53  |
|     | 3   | 1.5321 | 1.0000 | 0.917                | 0.85  |
|     | 4   | 1.0000 | 1.0000 | 1.272                | 1.00  |
|     | 5   | 0.3473 | 1.0000 | 1.521                | 2.88  |
| 10  | 1   | 1.9754 | 1.0000 | 0.655                | 0.51  |
|     | 2   | 1.7820 | 1.0000 | 0.756                | 0.56  |
|     | 3   | 1.4142 | 1.0000 | 1.000                | 0.71  |
|     | 4   | 0.9080 | 1.0000 | 1.322                | 1.10  |
|     | 5   | 0.3129 | 1.0000 | 1.527                | 3.20  |

Fig 5 Table of the Butterworth Coefficients