

Exam – 18.1.2010

You may not use any notes, but use of your own calculator is allowed.
 Each question is worth ten points, making the total maximum 50 points. Good luck!

1. Explain the following terms or perform the tasks briefly (1pt per correct answer):
 - Voltage gain
 - Current gain
 - Inverting and non-inverting amplifier
 - Frequency response of an amplifier
 - Differential amplifier
 - Common-emitter amplifier
 - Draw the circuit symbol of an NMOS transistor and name its terminals
 - Draw the circuit symbol of an *n*pn BJT and name its terminals
 - Current gain β of a BJT
 - Low-pass, high-pass and band-pass filter

2. Draw the circuit of a non-inverting amplifier realized with an operational amplifier. Derive the formulas for its voltage gain and input resistance.

3. A given *n*pn BJT has $\beta = 100$. Determine the region of operation (and explain your reasoning) when
 - (a) $I_B = 50\mu\text{A}$ and $I_C = 3\text{mA}$
 - (b) $I_B = 50\mu\text{A}$ and $V_{CE} = 5\text{V}$
 - (c) $V_{BE} = -2\text{V}$ and $V_{CE} = -1\text{V}$

4. Design a four-resistor bias circuit for an *n*pn BJT so that $I_C = 10\text{ mA}$ and $V_{CE} = 5\text{ V}$. The power supply is 15 V, and the BJT has $\beta = 100$ and $V_{BE} = 0.7\text{ V}$. Assume room temperature.

5. Prepare a Bode plot of the magnitude of the voltage transfer function $A_v(f) = V_o/V_{in}$ for the circuit illustrated in the figure below. Explain your reasoning.

