

PSG COLLEGE OF ARTS & SCIENCE  
(AUTONOMOUS)

MSc DEGREE EXAMINATION DECEMBER 2025  
(First Semester)

Branch – CHEMISTRY

**BASICS ELECTRONICS FOR CHEMISTS**

Time: Three Hours

Maximum: 75 Marks

**SECTION-A (10 Marks)**

Answer ALL questions

ALL questions carry EQUAL marks

(10 × 1 = 10)

Question No.	Question	K Level	CO
1	The rectifier which converts only one half of the AC cycle into DC is called a) Full-wave rectifier                      b) Half-wave rectifier c) Bridge rectifier                          d) Center-tapped rectifier	K1	CO1
2	Zener diode operates primarily in the _____ region. a) Forward bias                              b) Breakdown c) Cutoff                                        d) Active	K2	CO1
3	The ideal input impedance of an op-amp is a) Zero    b) Infinite c) Very low                                    d) 10	K1	CO2
4	In an inverting amplifier, the output is a) In phase with input                      b) Out of phase by 180° c) Shifted by 90°                            d) Not related	K2	CO2
5	The binary equivalent of decimal number 13 is a) 1100                                        b) 1101 c) 1110                                        d) 1011	K1	CO3
6	A flip-flop is a a) Combinational circuit                      b) Sequential circuit c) Amplifier circuit                            d) Rectifier circuit	K2	CO3
7	A decade counter completes one cycle after counting a) 8 pulses                                      b) 10 pulses c) 12 pulses                                      d) 16 pulses	K1	CO4
8	D/A converters convert a) Analog to Digital                              b) Digital to Analog c) Binary to Hexadecimal                      d) Current to Decimal	K2	CO4
9	A spectrophotometer is used to measure a) Electrical conductivity                      b) Absorbance of light c) Mechanical force                              d) Temperature	K1	CO5
10	A digital thermometer works on the principle of a) Thermoelectric effect                              b) Piezoelectric effect c) Hall effect                                        d) Photoelectric effect	K2	CO5

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**SECTION - B (35 Marks)**

Answer ALL questions

ALL questions carry EQUAL Marks

(5 × 7 = 35)

Question No.	Question	K Level	CO
11.a.	Explain the working of a PN junction diode and draw its V-I characteristics.	K2	CO1
	(OR)		
11.b.	Describe the operation and characteristics of a Zener diode as a voltage regulator.		
12.a.	Explain the operation of an inverting and non-inverting amplifier using op - amps.	K3	CO2
	(OR)		
12.b.	Describe the operation of an automatic street light using LDR and transistor.		
13.a.	Explain the working of basic logic gates with truth tables.	K3	CO3
	(OR)		
13.b.	Describe the concept of a digital clock using flip-flops as frequency dividers.		
14.a.	Explain the construction and working of a decade counter.	K4	CO4
	(OR)		
14.b.	Discuss the principle of a D/A converter using the weighted resistor method.		
15.a.	Explain the working of a digital voltmeter and its advantages.	K4	CO5
	(OR)		
15.b.	Describe the construction and working of a pH meter.		

**SECTION -C (30 Marks)**

Answer ANY THREE questions

ALL questions carry EQUAL Marks

(3 × 10 = 30)

Question No.	Question	K Level	CO
16	With a neat circuit and waveform, explain the working of a full-wave bridge rectifier.	K4	CO1
17	Describe the working of an astable multivibrator using a 555 timer.	K4	CO2
18	Design a JK master-slave flip-flop and explain its functioning in detail.	K4	CO3
19	Explain the working of a counter-type A/D converter with a neat diagram.	K4	CO4
20	With a neat block diagram, explain the working principle and applications of a spectrophotometer.	K4	CO5

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