

**PSG COLLEGE OF ARTS & SCIENCE**  
(AUTONOMOUS)  
**BSc DEGREE EXAMINATION DECEMBER 2017**  
(Fifth Semester)

Branch - **PHYSICS**

**CORE ELECTIVE ! - SEMICONDUCTOR ELECTRONICS**

Time : Three Hours

Maximum : 75 Marks

**SECTION-A (20 Marks)**

Answer **ALL** questions \*

**ALL** questions carry **EQUAL** marks (10 x 2 = 20)

- 1 Calculate the barrier potential for 'Si' junction at 100°C if its value at 25°C is 1.5 V.
- 2 Which is called breakdown voltage?
- 3 What is Class-C power amplifier?
- 4 What is collector efficiency of a power amplifier?
- 5 What is the difference between positive feedback and negative feedback?
- 6 What do you understand by virtual ground?
- 7 What is amplitude modulation?
- 8 Give the advantages of phase shift oscillator.
- 9 What is a multivibrator?
- 10 Define amplification factor ( $\mu$ ) in FET parameter.

**SECTION - B (25 Marks)**

Answer **ALL** Questions

**ALL** Questions Carry **EQUAL** Marks (5 x 5 = 25)

- 11 a Explain the function of CLC filter.  
OR  
b Describe the function of zener diode voltage stabilizer.
- 12 a Explain the potential divider method in transistor biasing.  
OR  
b Describe the base resistor method used in transistor biasing.
- 13 a Describe the gain of negative voltage feedback amplification.  
OR  
b Explain the circuit of inverting Op-Amp.
- 14 a With a neat circuit diagram, explain the action of Colpitts oscillator.  
OR  
b What is Demodulation? What are the essentials of demodulation?
- 15 a Explain the function of a differentiating circuit with a neat circuit diagram.  
OR  
b Explain the function of Combination Clipper.

**SECTION - C (30 Marks)**

Answer any **THREE** Questions

**ALL** Questions Carry **EQUAL** Marks (3 x 10 = 30)

- 16 Discuss energy band description of semiconductors .
- 17 Explain the operation of a class-B Push Pull amplifier with a neat diagram. What are its advantages?
- 18 Explain how an OP-AMP function as an adder and subtracter.
- 19 Analyse the action of the circuit and advantages of Wein bridge oscillator.
- 20 Discuss the function and importance of Astable or Monostable multivibrator.