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**GCE AS/A Level – LEGACY**

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**ELECTRONICS – ET2**

THURSDAY, 24 MAY 2018 – AFTERNOON

1 hour 15 minutes

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Question	Maximum Mark	Mark Awarded
1.	6	
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<b>Total</b>	<b>60</b>	

**ADDITIONAL MATERIALS**

A calculator.

**INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES**

Use black ink or black ball-point pen.

Write your name, centre number and candidate number in the spaces at the top of this page.

Answer **all** questions.

Write your answers in the spaces provided in this booklet.

**INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES**

The total number of marks available for this paper is 60.

The number of marks is given in brackets at the end of each question or part-question.

You are reminded of the necessity for good English and orderly presentation in your answers.

You are reminded to show all working. Credit is given for correct working even when the final answer given is incorrect.

## INFORMATION FOR THE USE OF CANDIDATES

### Preferred Values for resistors

The figures shown below and their decade multiples and sub-multiples are the E24 series of preferred values.

10, 11, 12, 13, 15, 16, 18, 20, 22, 24, 27, 30, 33, 36, 39, 43, 47, 51, 56, 62, 68, 75, 82, 91.

### Standard Multipliers

Prefix	Multiplier
T	$\times 10^{12}$
G	$\times 10^9$
M	$\times 10^6$
k	$\times 10^3$

Prefix	Multiplier
m	$\times 10^{-3}$
$\mu$	$\times 10^{-6}$
n	$\times 10^{-9}$
p	$\times 10^{-12}$

### Charging Capacitor

$$V_C = V_0(1 - e^{-t/RC})$$

$$t = -RC \ln\left(1 - \frac{V_C}{V_0}\right)$$

### Discharging Capacitor

$$V_C = V_0 e^{-t/RC}$$

$$t = -RC \ln\left(\frac{V_C}{V_0}\right)$$

### Alternating Voltages

$$V_0 = V_{\text{rms}} \sqrt{2}$$

### Silicon Diode

$$V_F \approx 0.7 \text{ V}$$

### Bipolar Transistor

$$h_{FE} = \frac{I_C}{I_B}$$

$$V_{BE} \approx 0.7 \text{ V}$$

### MOSFETs

$$I_D = g_M V_{GS}$$

### 555 Monostable

$$T = 1.1 RC$$

### 555 Astable

$$t_H = 0.7(R_A + R_B)C$$

$$t_L = 0.7R_B C$$

$$f = \frac{1.44}{(R_A + 2R_B)C}$$

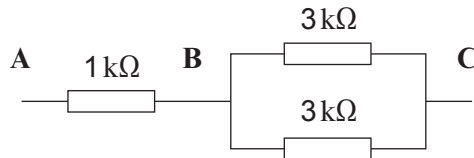
### Schmitt Astable

$$f \approx \frac{1}{RC}$$

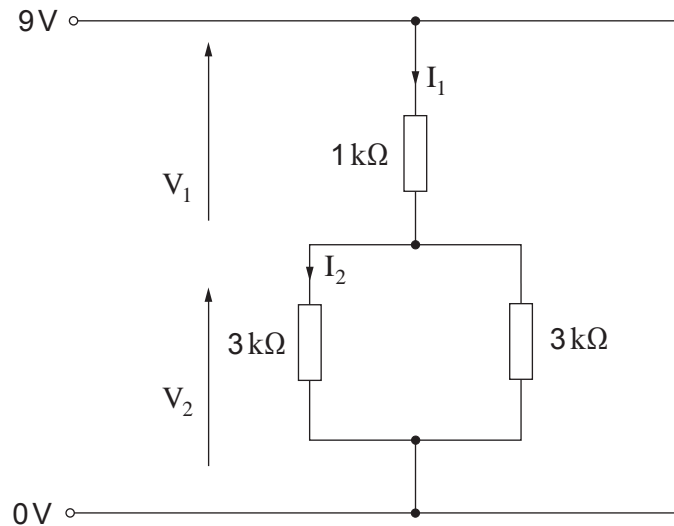
Answer all questions.

1. (a) For the resistor network below calculate the combined resistance between:  
 Points **B** and **C** .....  
 Points **A** and **C** .....

[2]



- (b) The resistor network is used in the following circuit



Determine the value of:

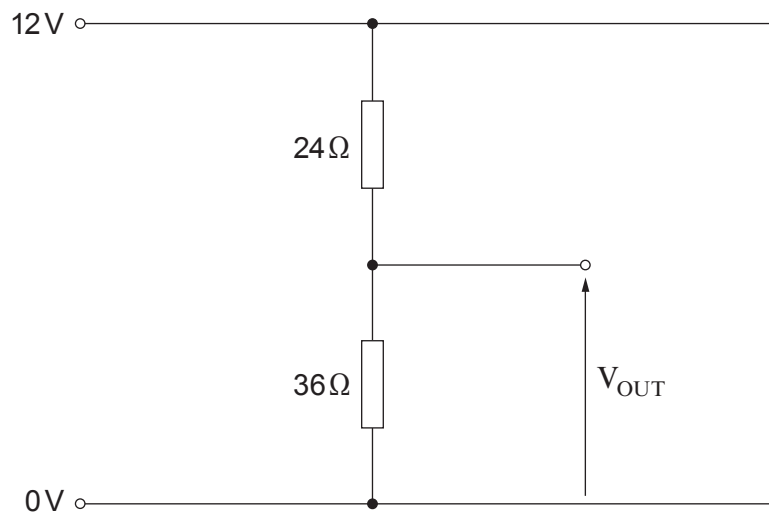
$I_1$  ..... [1]

$I_2$  ..... [1]

$V_1$  ..... [1]

$V_2$  ..... [1]

2. The following circuit is used as a voltage source.



(a) Thevenin's theorem is used to produce an equivalent circuit for the voltage source.

(i) Calculate the open circuit voltage  $V_{OC}$ .

[1]

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(ii) Calculate the short circuit current  $I_{SC}$ .

[1]

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(iii) Calculate the equivalent resistance  $R_O$ .

[1]

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(b) (i) Draw the equivalent circuit with a load resistance connected across the output terminals. [1]

(ii) Use the equivalent circuit to calculate the voltage across the output terminals when the load current is 100mA. [2]

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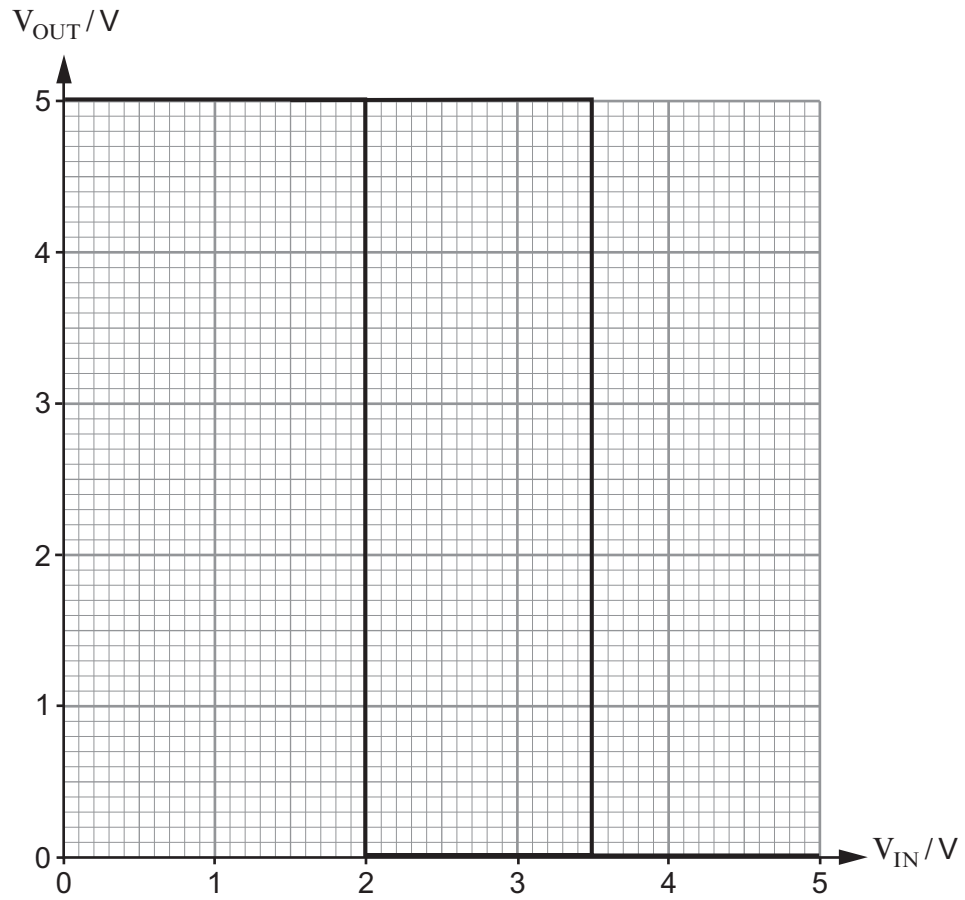
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3. A Schmitt inverter has the following characteristics.



The Schmitt inverter is used to condition the signal produced by a sensing unit.

(a) Determine the input switching threshold for:

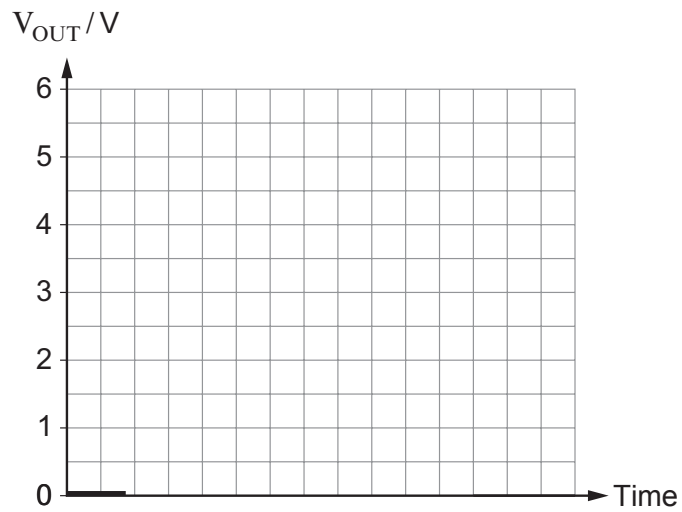
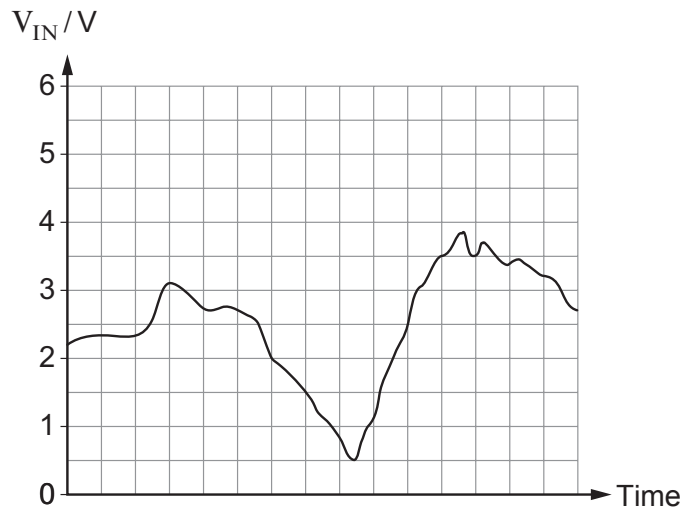
(i) an increasing input voltage .....

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(ii) a decreasing input voltage .....

[1]

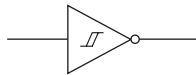
- (b) The signal  $V_{IN}$  produced by a sensing unit changes over a period of time. Complete the graph to show the signal  $V_{OUT}$  obtained at the output of the Schmitt inverter. [3]



(c) Another Schmitt inverter is used as part of an astable circuit.

(i) Complete the circuit diagram for the astable circuit.

[2]



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(ii) Calculate the values of all components required to produce a frequency of 500 Hz.

[2]

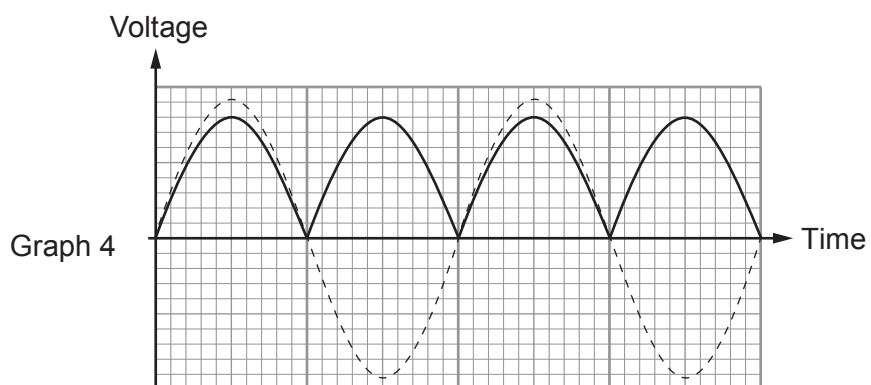
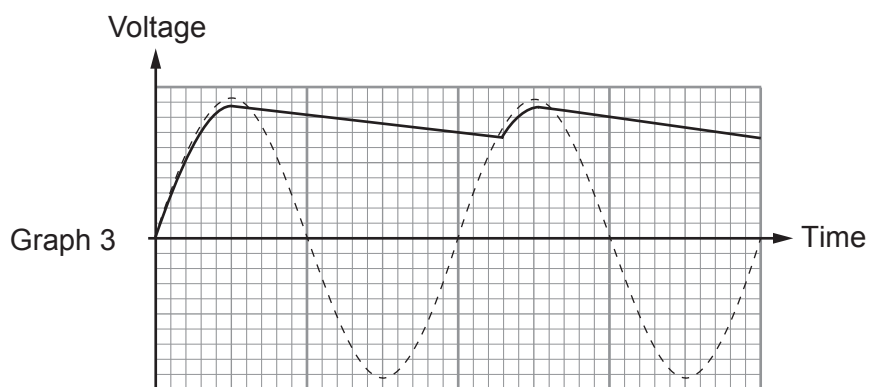
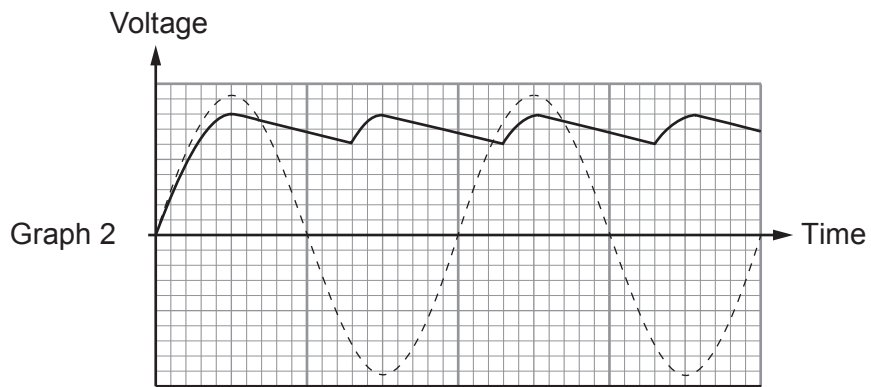
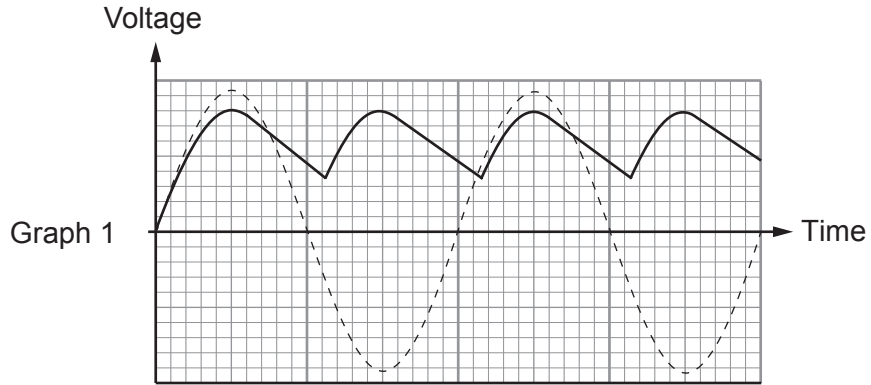
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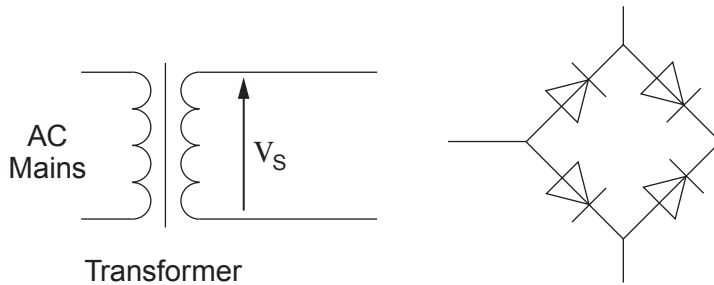
4. (a) Here are four waveforms produced by various diode rectifiers. All graphs use identical voltage scales and identical time scales. The AC voltage supplied to the diode rectifier is shown as a dotted waveform.



Which graph shows:

- (i) The unsmoothed output of a full wave rectifier. .... [1]
- (ii) The smoothed output of a half-wave rectifier with a small ripple voltage. [1]  
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- (iii) The smoothed output of a full-wave rectifier with a large ripple voltage. [1]  
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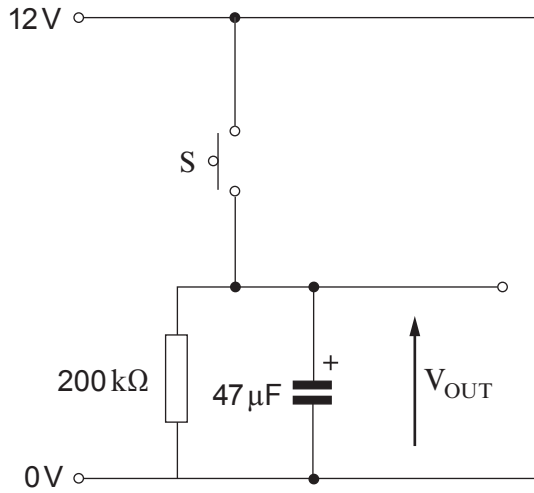
(b) The following diagram shows an incomplete circuit for a full-wave rectified power supply.



- (i) Complete the circuit by adding: [3]
  - a smoothing capacitor
  - a load resistor
  - any missing connections
- (ii) The **peak** value of the secondary voltage of the transformer ( $V_S$ ) is 15V. Calculate the **peak** value of the full-wave rectified voltage. [1]

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5. (a) The following diagram shows a timing sub-system used in a monostable circuit.



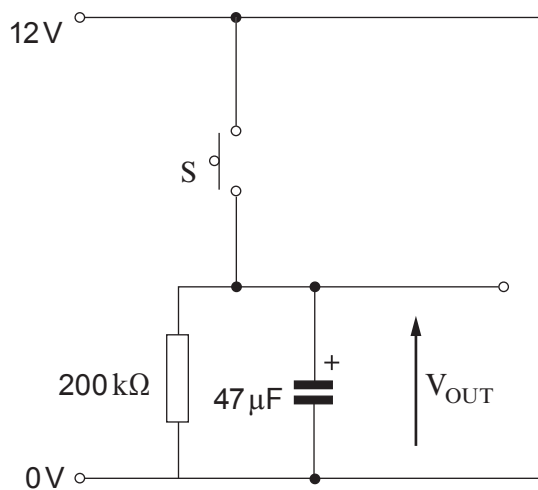
- (i) Switch S is closed and then released at time  $t = 0$ . Calculate the value of  $V_{OUT}$  at time  $t = 4$  s. [2]

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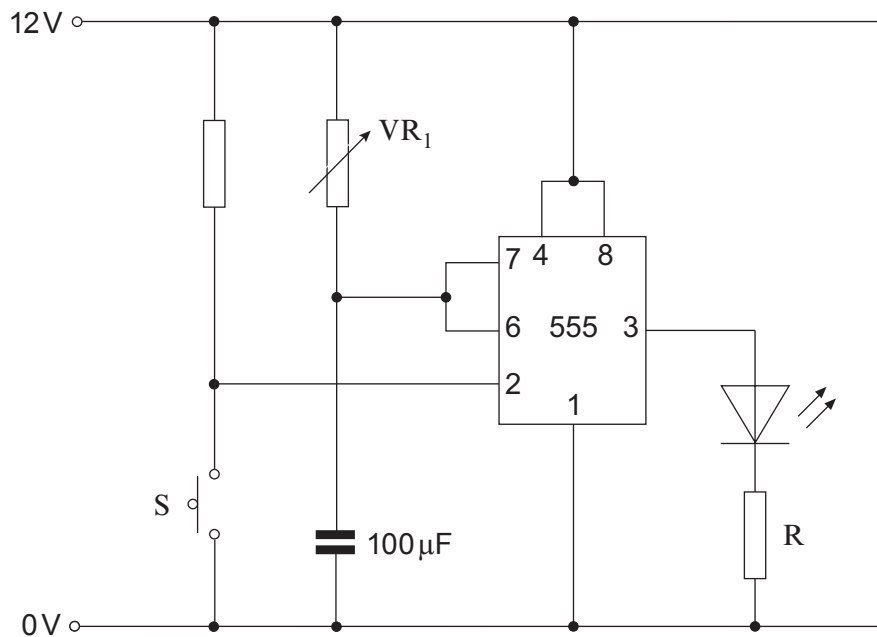
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- (ii) Add a NOT gate and buzzer to the following circuit diagram so that the buzzer comes on for a period of time when switch S is momentarily pressed. [2]



- (b) The following diagram shows another type of monostable circuit based on a 555 timer.



The timing sub-system consists of a  $100\mu\text{F}$  capacitor and a variable resistor  $\text{VR}_1$ . Calculate the resistance of  $\text{VR}_1$  so that a blue LED stays on for one minute after the switch S is momentarily pressed. [2]

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- (c) When the monostable is activated, the output voltage is 12V. The forward voltage drop across the blue LED is 3.6V.

- (i) Calculate the value of resistor R that limits the current through the LED to a maximum of 30 mA. [2]

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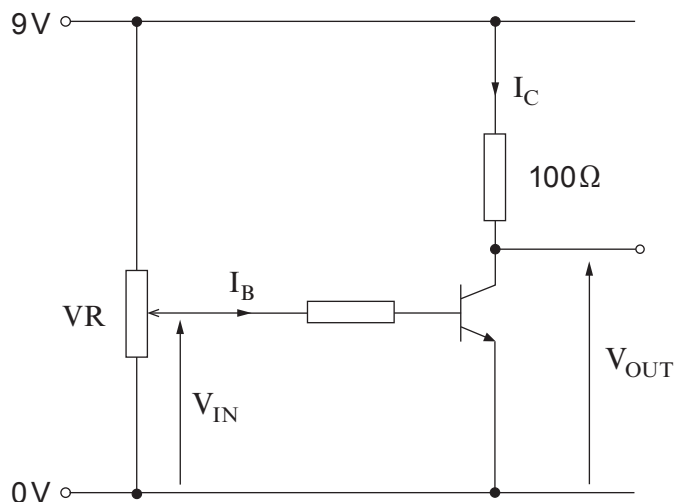
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- (ii) Determine a suitable preferred value for R. [1]

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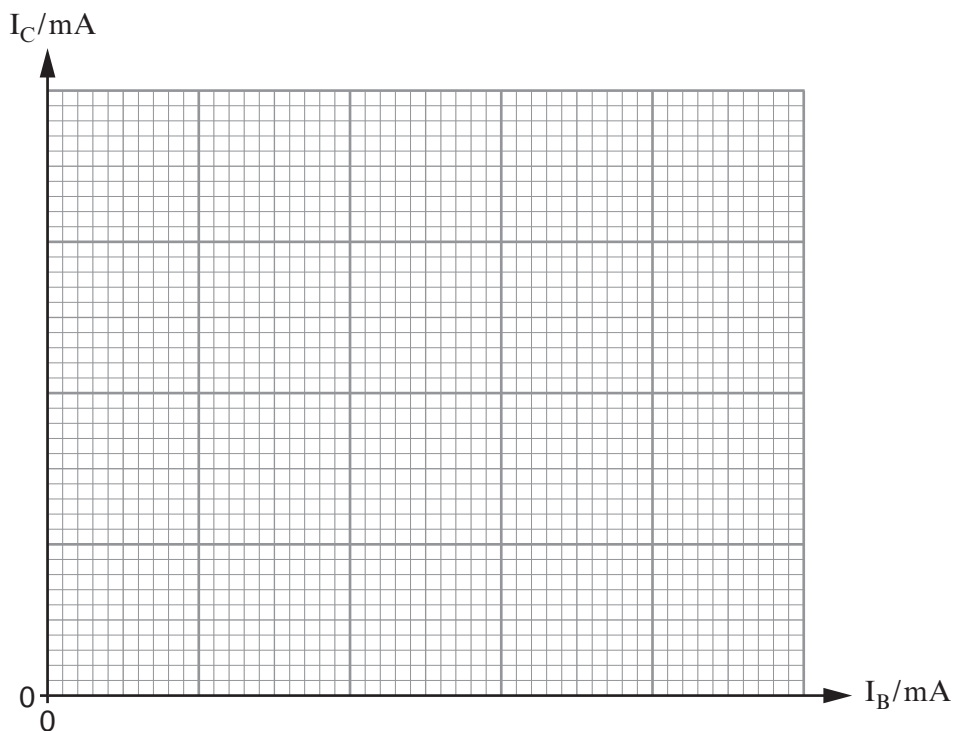
6. The following circuit is set up to investigate a transistor switching circuit.



The output of the potentiometer VR is varied and readings of  $I_B$ ,  $I_C$ ,  $V_{IN}$  and  $V_{OUT}$  are taken.

(a) As the base current is increased from 0.1 to 0.4 mA the collector current increases from 14 to 68 mA and the transistor does not saturate.

(i) Complete the graph below to show how  $I_C$  changes as  $I_B$  is increased from 0 to 0.45 mA. Label both axes with a suitable scale. [2]

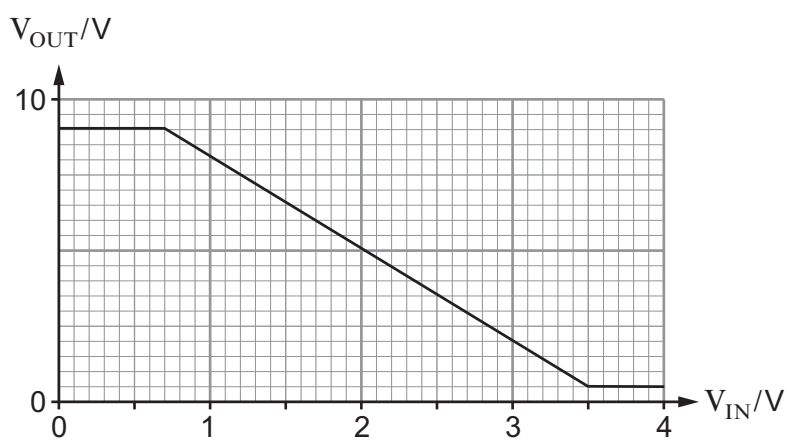


(ii) Determine the current gain ( $h_{FE}$ ) of the transistor. [1]

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(b) A second graph shows how  $V_{OUT}$  changes as  $V_{IN}$  is increased from 0 to 4V.



Use the graph to determine:

(i) The minimum value of  $V_{IN}$  required to saturate the transistor. [1]

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(ii) The value of  $V_{OUT}$ , when  $V_{IN} = 1.5V$  and the load resistor is  $100\Omega$ . [1]

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(c)  $V_{IN} = 1.5V$  and the load resistor is  $100\Omega$ .

Calculate the collector current **and** the power dissipated in the transistor. [3]

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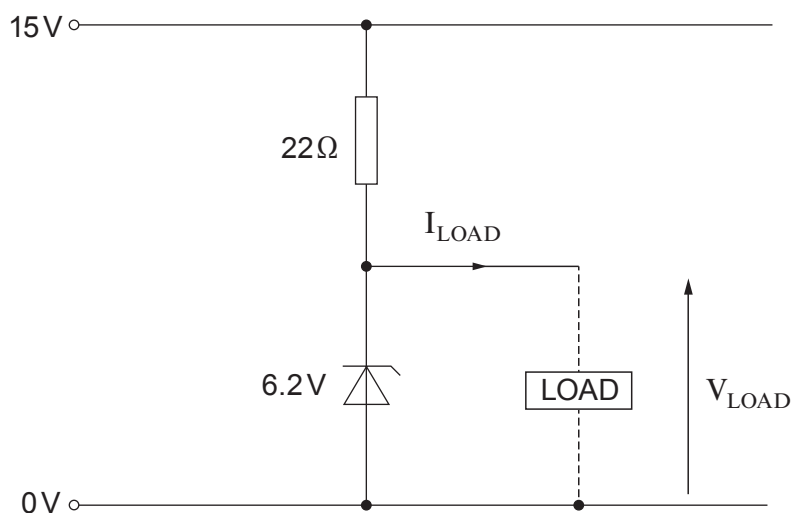
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7. The diagram below shows a simple regulated power supply providing an output voltage  $V_{\text{LOAD}}$ . The zener diode requires a **minimum** current of 10 mA to maintain the zener voltage.



- (a) Calculate the current through the  $22\Omega$  resistor when there is no load connected. [2]

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- (b) What is the maximum load current that the power supply can provide whilst still maintaining the zener voltage? [1]

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- (c) A low resistance load is connected to the power supply. The zener diode ceases to conduct and the load current increases to 500 mA. Calculate the new value of  $V_{\text{LOAD}}$ . [2]

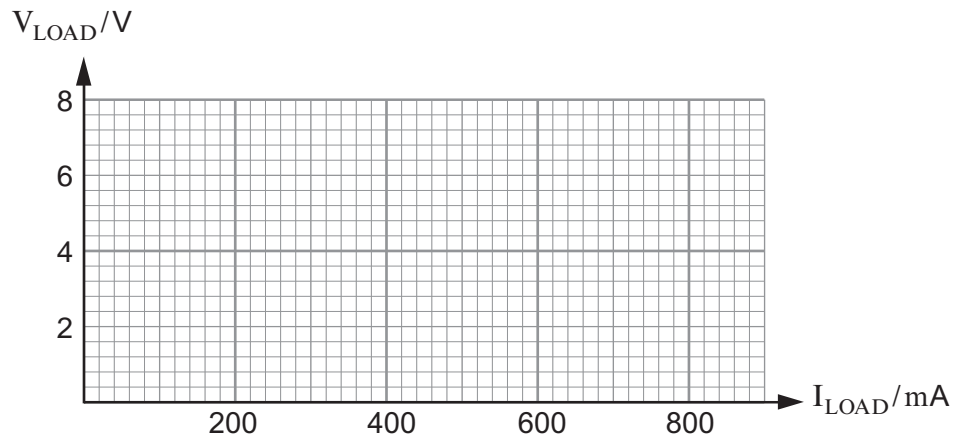
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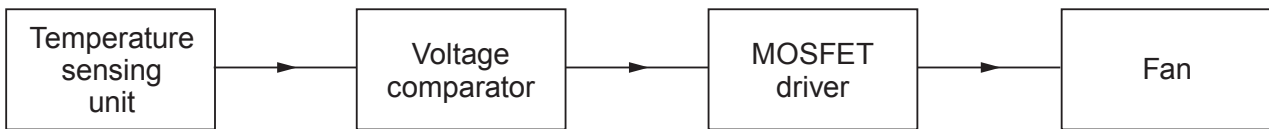


- (d) Sketch a graph to show how  $V_{\text{LOAD}}$  changes as  $I_{\text{LOAD}}$  is increased gradually from 0 to approximately 700 mA. [3]

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8. The block diagram shows a design for a fan cooling system for a desktop PC.

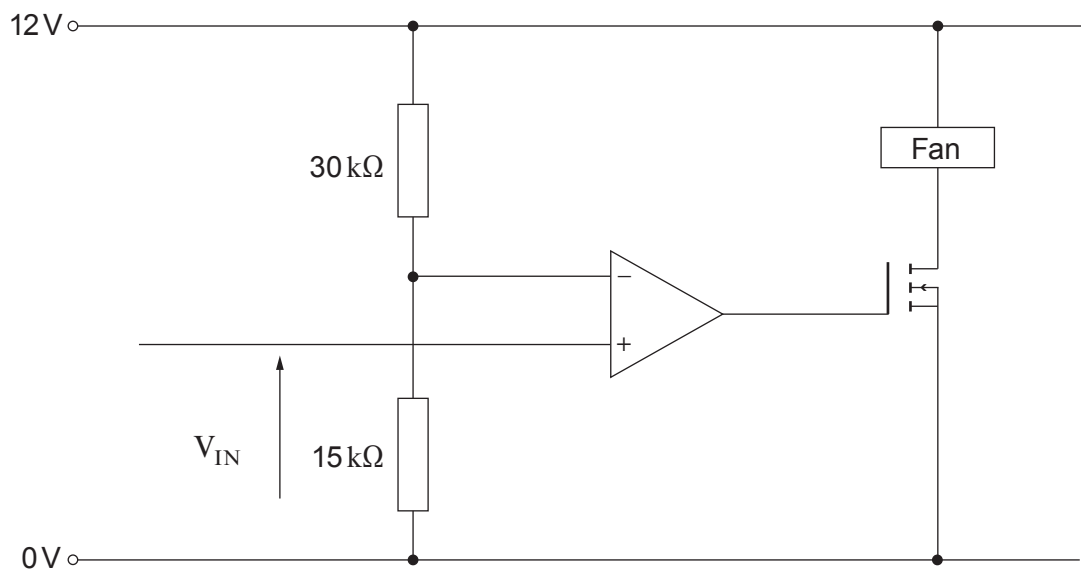


The fan which is rated at 12V, 72W should operate when the air temperature in the PC housing is more than 30°C.

(a) Complete the circuit diagram for the system by adding:

- the temperature sensing sub-system
- a component to protect the MOSFET when the fan switches off

[3]



(b) Calculate the minimum value of  $V_{IN}$  at which the fan will operate.

[1]

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(c) The MOSFET has the following parameters:

- maximum power dissipation = 60 W
- $r_{DSon} = 0.25 \Omega$

Calculate the power dissipated in the MOSFET when the fan is operating at its rated current.

[3]

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