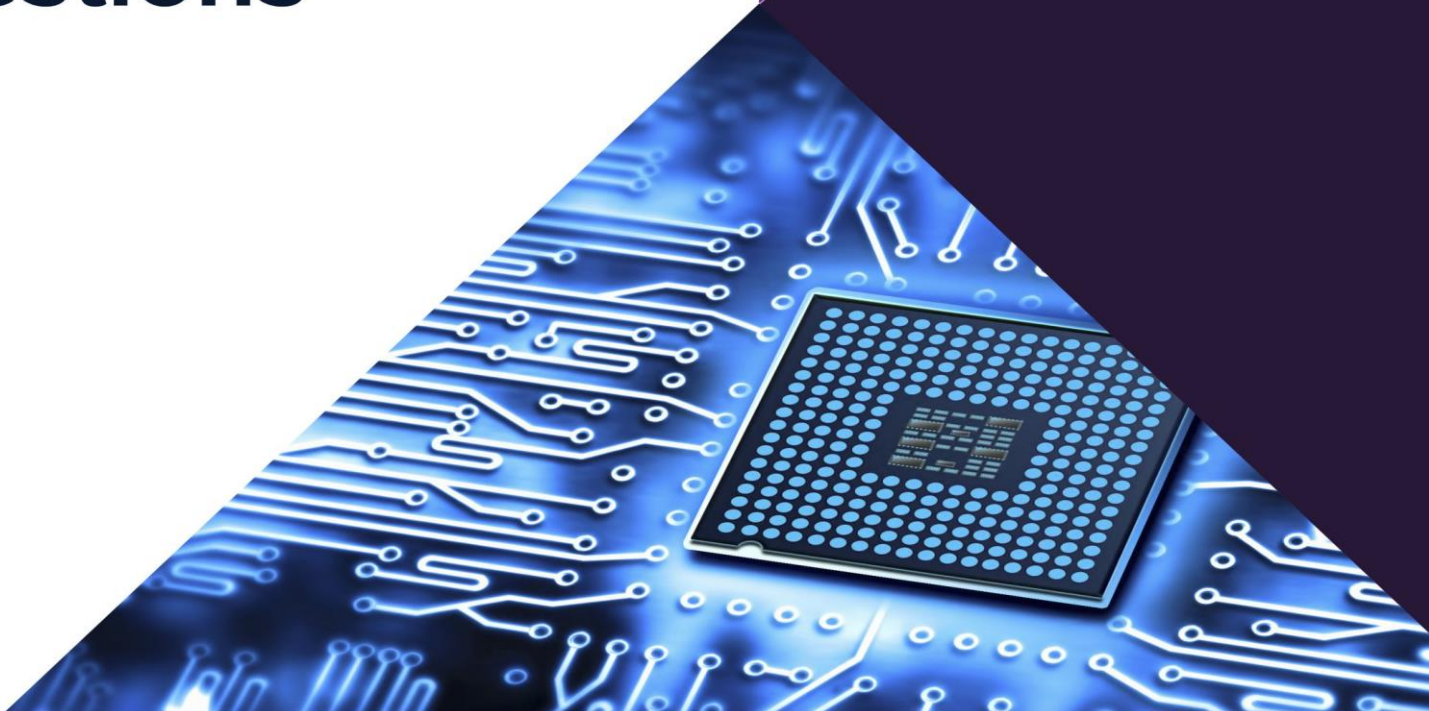


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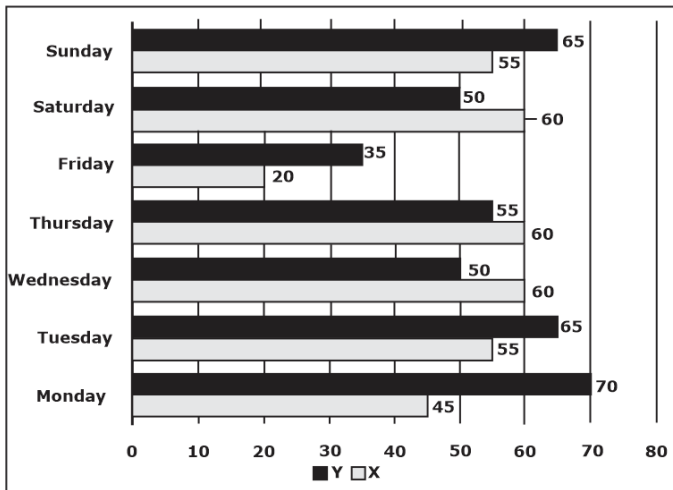
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Questions



SECTION: GENERAL APTITUDE

1.



The number of minutes spent by two students, X and Y, exercising every day in a given week are shown in the bar chart above.

The number of days in the given week in which one of the students spent a minimum of 10% more than the other student, on a given day, is

- A. 5
- B. 4
- C. 7
- D. 6

2. p and q are positive integers and $\frac{p}{q} + \frac{q}{p} = 3$,

then $\frac{p^2}{q^2} + \frac{q^2}{p^2} =$

- A. 3
- B. 11
- C. 9
- D. 7

3. Computers are ubiquitous. They are used to improve efficiency in almost all fields from agriculture to space exploration. Artificial intelligence (AI) is currently a hot topic. AI enables computers to learn, given enough training data. For humans sitting in front of a computer for long hours can lead to health issues.

Which of the following can be deduced from the above passage?

- (i) Nowadays, computers are present in almost all places.
- (ii) Computers cannot be used for solving problems in engineering.
- (iii) For humans, there are both positive and negative effects of using computers.
- (iv) Artificial intelligence can be done without data.

- A. (i) and (iii)
- B. (ii) and (iii)
- C. (i), (iii) and (iv)
- D. (ii) and (iv)

4. The current population of a city is 11,02,500. If it has been increasing at the rate of 5% per annum, what was its population 2 years ago?

- 1. 10,00,000
- 2. 9,92,500
- 3. 12,51,506
- 4. 9,95,006

5. Nostalgia is to anticipation as ____ is to ____
Which one of the following maintains a similar logical relation in the above sentence?

- A. Future, past
- B. Present, past
- C. Past, future
- D. Future, present

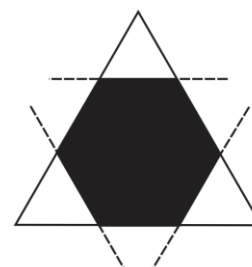
6. Consider the following sentences:

- (i) I woke up from sleep.
- (ii) I woked up from sleep.
- (iii) I was woken up from sleep.
- (iv) I was wokened up from sleep.

Which of the above sentences are grammatically CORRECT?

- A. (i) and (ii)
- B. (i) and (iii)
- C. (ii) and (iii)
- D. (i) and (iv)

7.



Corners are cut from an equilateral triangle to produce a regular convex hexagon as shown in the figure above.

The ratio of the area of the regular convex hexagon to the area of the original equilateral triangle is

- A. 3 : 4
- B. 2 : 3
- C. 4 : 5
- D. 5 : 6

8. Consider a square sheet of side 1 unit. In the first step, it is cut along the main diagonal to get two triangles. In the next step, one of the triangles is revolved about its short edge to form a solid cone. The volume of the resulting cone, in cubic units, is _____

- A. 3π
- B. $\frac{3\pi}{2}$
- C. $\frac{\pi}{3}$
- D. $\frac{2\pi}{3}$

9. Given below are two statements and two conclusions.

Statement 1: All purple are green.

Statement 2: All black are green.

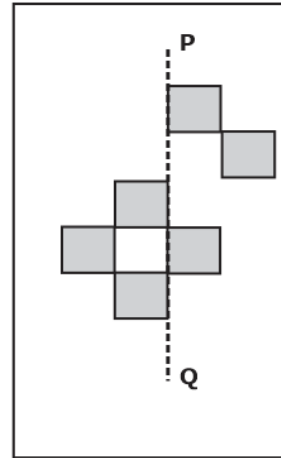
Conclusion I: Some black are purple.

Conclusion II: No black is purple.

Based on the above statements and conclusions, which one of the following is logically CORRECT?

- A. Both conclusion I and II are correct.
- B. Either conclusion I or II is correct.
- C. Only conclusion II is correct.
- D. Only conclusion I is correct.

10.

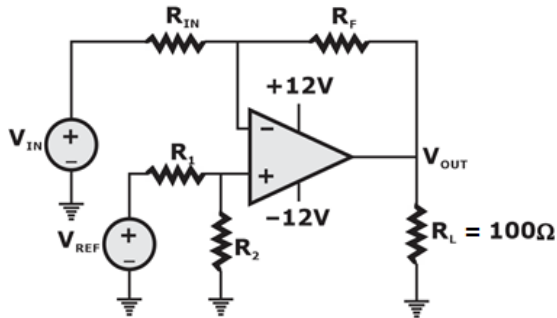


The least number of squares that must be added so that the line P-Q becomes the line of symmetry is _____

- A. 4
- B. 3
- C. 6
- D. 7

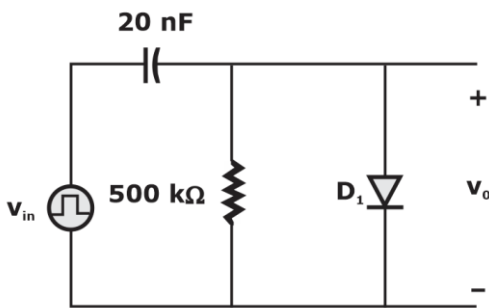
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1. For the circuit with an ideal OPAMP shown in the figure, V_{REF} is fixed.



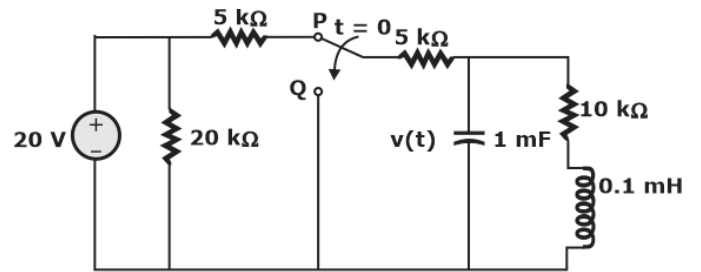
If $V_{OUT} = 1$ volt for $V_{IN} = 0.1$ volt and $V_{OUT} = 6$ volt for $V_{IN} = 1$ volt, where V_{OUT} is measured across R_L connected at the output of this OPAMP, the value of R_F/R_{IN} is

- A. 2.860 B. 3.825
C. 3.285 D. 5.555
2. An asymmetrical periodic pulse train v_{in} of 10 V amplitude with on-time $T_{ON} = 1$ ms and off-time $T_{OFF} = 1 \mu s$ is applied to the circuit shown in the figure. The diode D_1 is ideal.



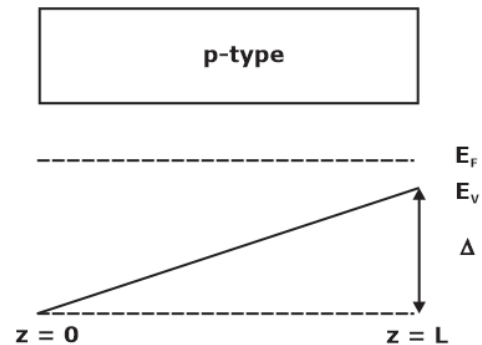
The difference between the maximum voltage and minimum voltage of the output waveform v_o (in integer) is ____V.

3. The switch in the circuit in the figure is in position P for a long time and moved to position Q at time $t = 0$



The value of $\frac{dv(t)}{dt}$ at $t = 0^+$ is

- A. -5 V/s B. 3 V/s
C. -3 V/s D. 0 V/s
4. The energy band diagram of a p-type semiconductor bar of length L under equilibrium condition (i.e., the Fermi energy level E_F is constant) is shown in the figure. The valance band E_V is sloped since doping is non-uniform along the bar. The difference between the energy levels of the valance at the two edges of the bar is Δ .

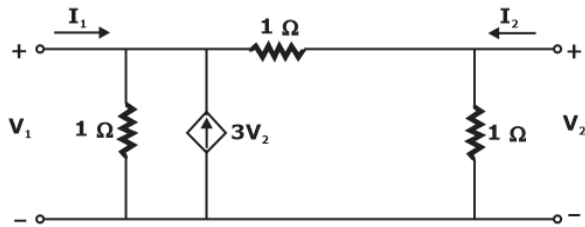


If the changes of an electron is q , then the magnitude of the electric field developed inside this semiconductor bar is

- A. $\frac{2\Delta}{qL}$ B. $\frac{3\Delta}{2qL}$
C. $\frac{\Delta}{2qL}$ D. $\frac{\Delta}{qL}$

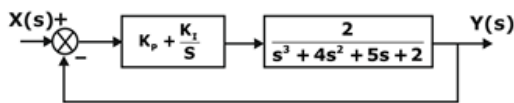
5. The refractive indices of the core and cladding of an optical fiber are 1.50 and 1.48, respectively. The critical propagation angle, which is defined as the maximum angle that the light beam makes with the axis of the optical fiber to achieve the total internal reflection. (rounded off to two decimal places) is ____ degree.

6. Consider the two-port network shown in the figure.



The admittance parameters, in Siemens, are

- A. $y_{11} = 2, y_{12} = -4, y_{21} = -4, y_{22} = 2$
 - B. $y_{11} = 2, y_{12} = -4, y_{21} = -1, y_{22} = 2$
 - C. $y_{11} = 2, y_{12} = -4, y_{21} = -4, y_{22} = 3$
 - D. $y_{11} = 1, y_{12} = -2, y_{21} = -1, y_{22} = 3$
7. A unity feedback system that uses proportional-integral (PI) control is shown in the figure.



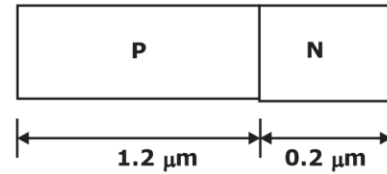
The stability of the overall system is controlled by tuning the PI control parameters K_p and K_i . The maximum value of K_i that can be chosen so as to keep the overall system stable or, in the worst case, marginally stable (rounded off to three decimal places) is ____

8. A silicon P-N junction is shown in the figure. The doping in the P region is $5 \times 10^{16} \text{ cm}^{-3}$ and doping in the N region is $10 \times 10^{16} \text{ cm}^{-3}$. The parameters given are Built-in voltage(Φ_{bi}) = 0.8 V

Electron charge (q) = $1.6 \times 10^{-19} \text{ C}$

Vacuum permittivity (ϵ_0) = $8.85 \times 10^{-12} \text{ F/m}$

Relative permittivity of silicon (ϵ_{si}) = 12



The magnitude of reverse bias voltage that would completely deplete one of the two regions (P or N) prior to the other (rounded off to one decimal place) is ____ V.

9. If $(1235)_x = (3033)_y$, where x and y indicate the bases of the corresponding numbers, then
- A. $x = 8$ and $y = 6$
 - B. $x = 7$ and $y = 5$
 - C. $x = 9$ and $y = 7$
 - D. $x = 6$ and $y = 4$

10. Two continuous random variables X and Y are related as

$$Y = 2X + 3$$

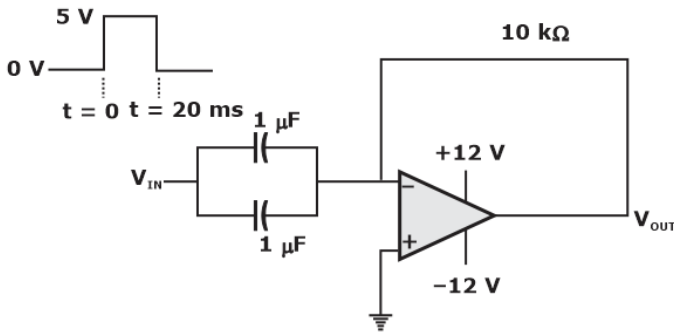
Let σ_X^2 and σ_Y^2 denotes the variances of X and Y respectively. The variances are related as

- A. $\sigma_Y^2 = 4 \sigma_X^2$
- B. $\sigma_Y^2 = 25 \sigma_X^2$
- C. $\sigma_Y^2 = 2 \sigma_X^2$
- D. $\sigma_Y^2 = 5 \sigma_X^2$

11. Consider a real-valued base-band signal $x(t)$, band limited to 10 kHz. The Nyquist rate for the signal $y(t) = x(t) \times \left(1 + \frac{t}{2}\right)$ is

- A. 60 kHz
- B. 20 kHz
- C. 15 kHz
- D. 30 kHz

12. A circuit with an ideal OPAMP is shown in the figure. A pulse V_{IN} of 20 ms duration is applied to the input. The capacitors are initially unchanged.



The output voltage V_{OUT} of this circuit at $t = 0^+$ (in integer) is ____ V.

- 13.** A speech signal band limited to 4 kHz, is sampled at 1.25 times the Nyquist rate. The speech samples, assumed to be statistically independent and uniformly distributed in the range -5 V to +5 V, are subsequently quantized in an 8-bit uniform quantizer and then transmitted over a voice-grade AWGN telephone channel. If the ratio of transmitted signal power to channel noise power is 26 dB, the minimum channel bandwidth required to ensure reliable transmission of the signal with arbitrarily small probability of transmission error (rounded off to two decimal places) is ____ kHz.
- 14.** For a unit step input $u[n]$, a discrete-time LTI system produces an output signal $(2\delta[n + 1] + \delta[n] + \delta[n - 1])$. Let $y[n]$ be the output of the system for an input $\left(\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^n u[n]\right)$. The value of $y[0]$ is ____
- 15.** Consider a polar non-return to zero (NRZ) waveform using +2 V and -2 V for representing binary '1' and '0' respectively, is transmitted in the presence of additive zero-mean white Gaussian noise with variance 0.4 V^2 . If the a priori probability of transmission of a binary '1' is 0.4, the optimum threshold voltage for a

maximum a posteriori (MAP) receiver (rounded off to two decimal places) is ____ V.

- 16.** A sinusoidal message signal having root mean square value of 4 V and frequency of 1 kHz is fed to a phase modulator with phase deviation constant 2 rad/volt. If the carrier signal is $c(t) = 2 \cos(2\pi 10^6 t)$, the maximum instantaneous frequency of the phase modulated signal (rounded off to one decimal place) is ____ Hz.
- 17.** The exponential Fourier series representation of a continuous-time periodic signal $x(t)$ is defined as

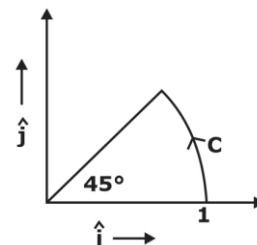
$$X(t) = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} a_k e^{jk\omega_0 t}$$

Where ω_0 is the fundamental angular frequency of $x(t)$ and the coefficients of the series are a_k . The following information is given about $x(t)$ and a_k .

- I. $x(t)$ is real and even, having a fundamental period of 6
- II. The average value of $x(t)$ is 2
- III. $a_k = \begin{cases} k, & 1 \leq k \leq 3 \\ 0, & k > 3 \end{cases}$

The average power of the signal $x(t)$ (rounded off to one decimal place) is ____

- 18.** The vector function $F(r) = -x \hat{i} + y \hat{j}$ is defined over a circular arc C shown in the figure.



The line integral of $\int_C F(r) \cdot dr$ is

- A. $\frac{1}{6}$
- B. $\frac{1}{2}$

28. The content of the registers are $R_1 = 25H$, $R_2 = 30H$ and $R_3 = 40H$. The following machine instructions are executed.

PUSH{ R_1 }

PUSH{ R_2 }

PUSH{ R_3 }

POP{ R_1 }

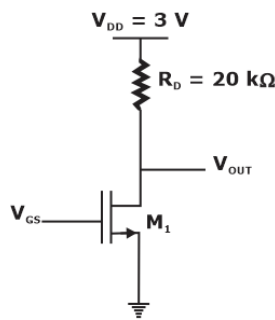
POP{ R_2 }

POP{ R_3 }

After execution, the content of registers R_1 , R_2 , R_3 are

- A. $R_1 = 40 H$, $R_2 = 25 H$, $R_3 = 30 H$
- B. $R_1 = 40 H$, $R_2 = 30 H$, $R_3 = 25 H$
- C. $R_1 = 30 H$, $R_2 = 40 H$, $R_3 = 25 H$
- D. $R_1 = 25 H$, $R_2 = 30 H$, $R_3 = 40 H$

29. For the transistor M_1 in the circuit shown in the figure, $\mu_n C_{ox} = 100\mu A/V^2$ and $(W/L) = 10$, where μ_n is the mobility of electron. C_{ox} is the oxide capacitance per unit area. W is the width and L is the length.



The channel length modulation coefficient is ignored. If the gate-to-source voltage V_{GS} is 1 V to keep the transistor at the edge of saturation, then the threshold voltage of the transistor (rounded off to one decimal place) is _____ V.

30. For a vector field $D = \rho \cos^2 \Phi a_\rho + z^2 \sin^2 \Phi a_\phi$ in a cylindrical coordinates system (ρ, Φ, z) with unit vectors a_ρ , a_ϕ and a_z , the net flux of D leaving the closed surface of the cylinder

($\rho=3$, $0 \leq z \leq 2$) (rounded off to two decimal places) is _____

31. Consider a carrier signal which is amplitude modulated by a single-tone sinusoidal message signal with a modulation index of 50%. If the carrier and one of the sidebands are suppressed in the modulated signal. The percentage of power saved (rounded off to one decimal place) is _____

32. Consider a super heterodyne receiver tuned to 600 kHz. If the local oscillator feeds a 1000 kHz signal to the mixer, the image frequency (in integer) is _____ kHz.

33. A box contains the following three coins.
I. A fair coin with head on one face and tail on the other face.

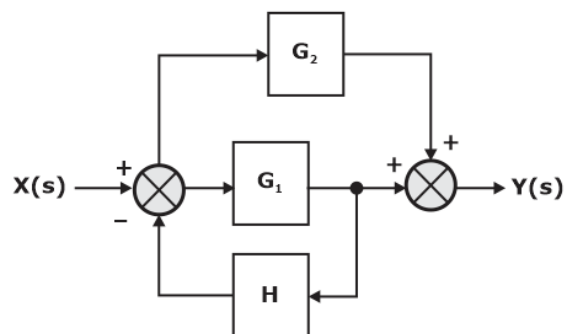
II. A coin with heads on both the faces.

III. A coin with tails on both the faces.

A coin is picked randomly from the box and tossed. Out of the two remaining coins in the box, one coin is then picked randomly and tossed. If the first toss results in a head the probability of getting a head in the second toss is

- A. $\frac{2}{3}$
- B. $\frac{1}{3}$
- C. $\frac{2}{5}$
- D. $\frac{1}{2}$

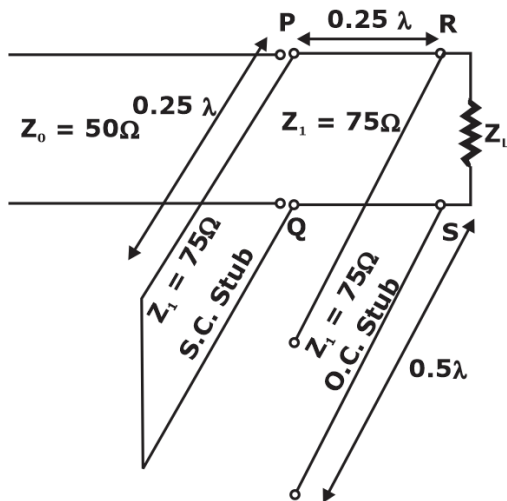
34. The block diagram of a feedback control system is shown in the figure.



The transfer function $\frac{Y(s)}{X(s)}$ of the system is

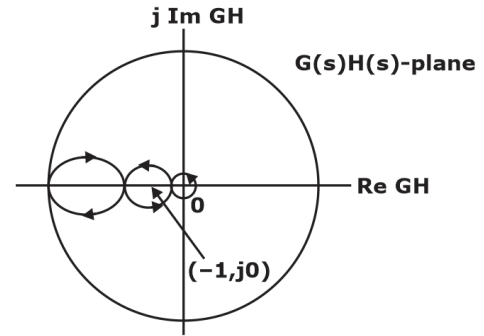
- A. $\frac{G_1 + G_2}{1 + G_1 H}$ B. $\frac{G_1 + G_2 + G_1 G_2 H}{1 + G_1 H}$
 C. $\frac{G_1 + G_2 + G_1 G_2 H}{1 + G_1 H + G_2 H}$ D. $\frac{G_1 + G_2}{1 + G_1 H + G_2 H}$

- 35.** The impedance matching network shown in the figure is to match a lossless line having characteristic impedance $Z_0 = 50 \Omega$ with a load impedance Z_L . A quarter-wave line having a characteristic impedance $z_1 = 75 \Omega$ is connected to Z_L . Two stubs having characteristic impedance of 75Ω each are connected to this quarter-wave line. One is a short-circuited (S.C) stub of length 0.25λ connected across PQ and the other one is an open-circuited (O.C) stub of length 0.5λ connected across RS.



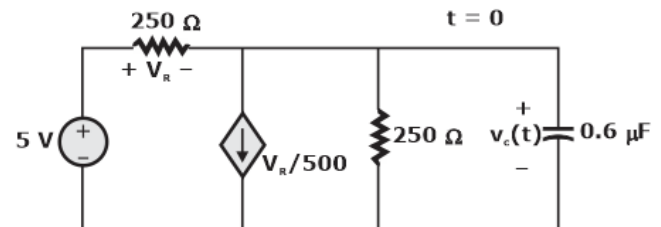
The impedance matching is achieved when the real part of Z_L is

- A. 75.0Ω B. 50.0Ω
 C. 33.3Ω D. 112.5Ω
- 36.** The complete Nyquist plot of the open-loop transfer function $G(s) H(s)$ of a feedback control system is shown in the figure.



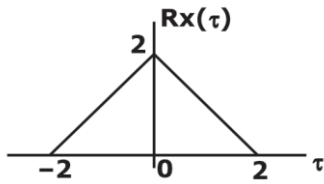
If $G(s) H(s)$ has one zero in the right-half of the s -plane, the number of poles that the closed-loop system will have in the right-half of the s -plane is

- A. 1 B. 0
 C. 3 D. 4
- 37.** In the circuit shown in the figure the switch is closed at time $t = 0$, while the capacitor is initially charged to -5 V (i.e., $v_c(0) = -5 \text{ V}$).



The time after which the voltage across the capacitor becomes zero (rounded off to three decimal places) is ____ ms.

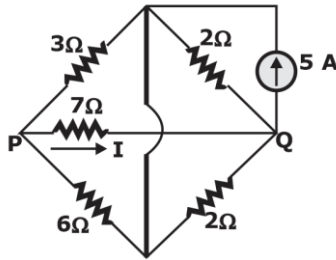
- 38.** A message signal having peak-to-peak value of 2 V , root mean square value of 0.1 V and bandwidth of 5 kHz is sampled and fed to a pulse code modulation (PCM) system that uses a uniform quantizer. The PCM output is transmitted over a channel that can support a maximum transmission rate of 50 kbps . Assuming that the quantization error is uniformly distributed, the maximum signal to quantization noise ratio that can be obtained by the PCM system (rounded off to two decimal places) is _____



The average of $X(t)$ is _____

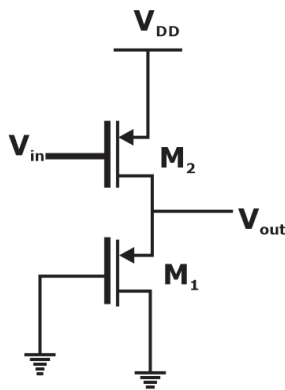
- 51.** An 8-bit unipolar (all analog output values are positive) digital-to-analog converter (DAC) has a full-scale voltage range from 0 V to 7.68 V. If the digital input code is 10010110 (the leftmost bit is MSB), then the Analog output voltage of the DAC (rounded off to one decimal place) is _____ V.

- 52.** Consider the circuit shown in the figure



The current I flowing through the $7\ \Omega$ resistor between P and Q (rounded off to one decimal place) is _____ A.

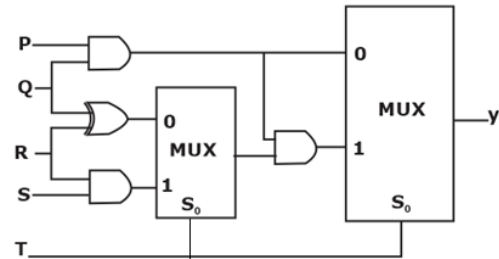
- 53.** In the circuit shown in the figure, the transistors M_1 and M_2 are operating in saturation. The channel length modulation coefficients of both the transistors are non-zero. The transconductance of the MOSFETs M_1 and M_2 are g_{m1} and g_{m2} respectively and internal resistance of MOSFETs M_1 and M_2 are r_{o1} and r_{o2} , respectively.



Ignoring the body effect, the ac small signal gain ($\partial V_{out}/\partial V_{in}$) of the circuit is

- A. $-g_{m2}(r_{o1}||r_{o2})$ B. $-g_{m2}(1/g_{m1}||r_{o1}||r_{o2})$
C. $-g_{m2}(1/g_{m1}||r_{o2})$ D. $-g_{m1}(1/g_{m2}||r_{o1}||r_{o2})$

- 54.** The propagation delays of the XOR gate, AND gate and multiplexer (MUX) in the circuit shown in the figure are 4ns, 2ns and 1 ns, respectively.



If all the inputs P , Q , R , S and T are applied simultaneously and held constant, the maximum propagation delay of the circuit is

- A. 6 ns B. 3 ns
C. 5 ns D. 7 ns

- 55.** Consider two 16-point sequences $x[n]$ and $h[n]$. Let the linear convolution of $x[n]$ and $h[n]$ be denoted by $y[n]$, while $z[n]$ denotes the 16-point inverse discrete Fourier transform (IDFT) of the product of the 16-point DFTs of $x[n]$ and $h[n]$. The value(s) of k for which $z[k] = y[k]$ is/are

- A. $K = 0$ and $k = 15$ B. $K = 0$
C. $K = 0, 1, \dots, 15$ D. $K = 15$

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