



**GCE**

**Electronics**

Unit **F614**: Electronic Control Systems

Advanced GCE

**Mark Scheme for June 2017**

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## Annotations

1		31	BOD	Benefit of doubt
2		21	Cross	Cross
3		241	ECF	Error carried forward
4		191	NBOD	Benefit of doubt not given
5		1841	Not Relevant	Expandable vertical wavy line
6		271	REP	Repeat
7		201	TV	Too vague
8		11	Tick	Tick
9		1741	ZERO	Zero (big)
10				
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12				
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question	grade	expected answer	mark	additional guidance
1a	E	Use of 10M, 6.8M and 15V	1	
	E	8.9 V	1	
1bi	E	2 V	1	Allow values between 1.9 V and 2.2 V
1bii	D	$V_{GS} = 2.5$ V from graph	1	Look for 2.5 V in answer
	C	$8.9 - 2.5 = 6.43$ V	1	Accept $9 - 2.5 = 6.5$ V or ecf from a
1biii	D	$6.43/0.02 = 320 \Omega$ e.c.f. voltage from bii	1	$6.5 / 0.02 = 325 \Omega$
1biv	D	Same shape and frequency	1	
	B	In phase	1	
	A	Same amplitude	1	
	A	Wobbles around 6.43 V (ecf from bii)	1	
1c	CC	Max 2 from: To increase the current/power owtte Of a signal from a high impedance/low current source owtte Because it has a high input impedance a relatively low output impedance	2	Allow any valid concrete example which makes these points  Accept increase offset, reduce clipping

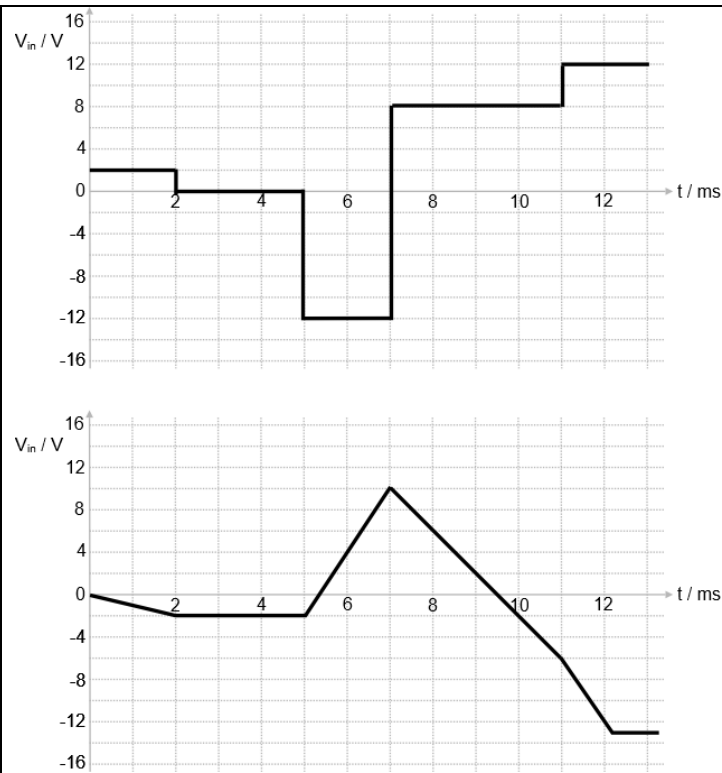
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2a	C	Synchronise operations wtte	1	
2b	DE	Max 2 from: Makes program go back to start Makes PC = 0 Starts program again if stuck Registers set to default value / cleared	2	
2c	E	Programs stored in (program) memory in microcontroller	1	Allow compiler or assembler
	C	Microcontroller needs program in binary/hex/machine code	1	
		Max 1 from:	1	
A	Converted by from text owtte By a computer program			
2d	C	Instruction fetched (from memory) pointed at by PC	1	
	A	Stored in (instruction) register	1	
	B	Increment PC	1	
	C	Execute instruction in (instruction) register	1	
	B	All steps in the correct order	1	

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3a	E	Contents/data/information lost when power turned off owtte	1	
3b	E E E D AA	Data lines labelled x4 Address lines labelled x2 max 2 from: read write r/ $\overline{w}$ enable	1 1 1 1 2	
3c	E	16	1	
3d	C B B D C	Write to clk only Tristate connected from Q To data D to data Read to tristate enable only	1 1 1 1 1	<p>The diagram shows a D flip-flop with a clock input labeled 'write'. The data input 'D' is connected to a 'data' bus. The output 'Q' is connected to the input of a tristate buffer. The output of the buffer is also connected to the 'data' bus. The 'read' signal is connected to the enable input of the buffer.</p>
3e	BB	Max 2 from: To allow the data bus to be bidirectional To allow more than one output device to be connected to the data bus To allow the contents of the memory to be changed without interference from Q	2	

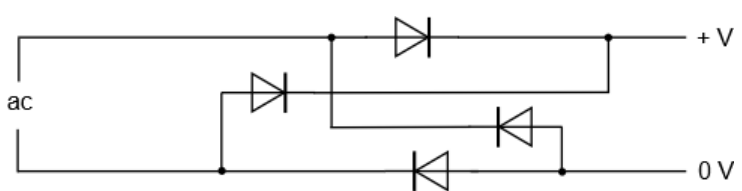
question	grade	expected answer	mark	additional guidance
4a	AAE	Max 3 from: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>To provide a constant voltage at G [<math>&gt;V_T</math>]</li> <li>So that the MOSFET is always conducting</li> <li>To make voltage at output between 0 V and 12 V</li> <li>To allow output voltage to change up and down</li> </ul>	3	Allow voltage/potential divider
4b	E	Amplitude of input is 0.6 V	1	Valid comment about input amplitude
	C	Amplitude of D is 4.2 V $(11.5-3)/2$	1	Valid comment about D ac amplitude
	D	D is inverse of input so -ve $(-4.2/0.6 = -7)$ [ecf]	1	Must have - sign. Division of $\Delta D/\Delta \text{input}$
4c	E	Use of $G = -g_m R_D$	1	
	B	$-G/R_D = g_m = -(-7)/47$	1	Correct values used
	A	$= 0.15 \text{ S}$	1	Correct calculation ecf and positive result
4d	A*	$I = \left( \frac{12}{910\text{k} + 470\text{k}} \right) = 8.697 \times 10^{-6}$ Voltage at G = $8.697 \times 10^{-6} \times 470\text{k} = 4.09 \text{ V}$	1	
	A*	$I_{DS} = (12 - 7.2)/47 = 0.102 \text{ A}$	1	
	A*	$g_m = \frac{\Delta I}{\Delta V}, \Delta V = V_{GS} - V_T, \Delta I = I - 0$ $\therefore \Delta V = \frac{I}{g_m} = \frac{0.102}{0.15} = 0.68 \text{ V}$	1	
	A*	$V_T = 4.08 - 0.68 = 3.4 \text{ V}$	1	

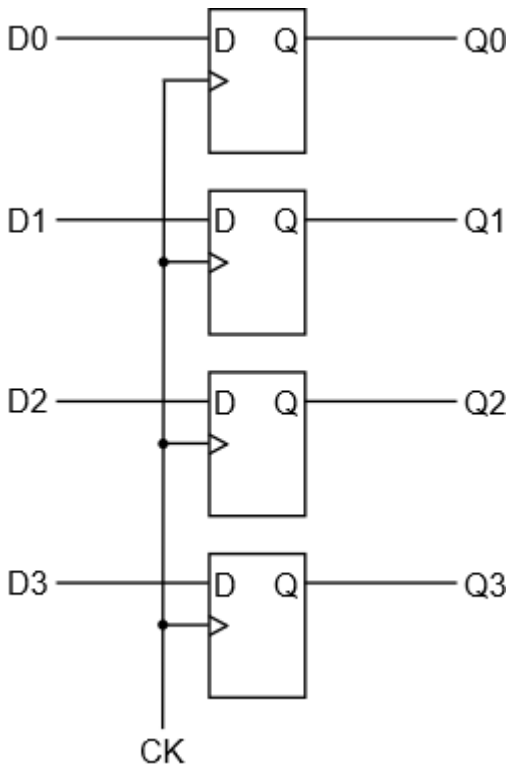
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5a	DD EEE	1 mark for each in correct place	5	
5b	E C D E C	Op-amp, capacitor and resistor Capacitor between output and input of op-amp, resistor from input to $V_{in}$ Non-inverting input to 0 V $R > 1 \text{ k}\Omega$ $RC = 2 \text{ ms}$ Use of $\Delta V_{out} = -V_{in} \frac{\Delta t}{RC}$	1 1 1 1 1 1	



<p>5c</p>	<p>E C D B A A*</p>	<p>Continues at same gradient to 2 ms Flat between 2 – 5 ms Rising between 5 – 7 ms Rising at 6 V/ms between 5ms and 7ms falling at -4V/ms between 7ms and 11ms (ecf) Falling at -6V/ms until saturating at -13V (no ecf)</p>	<p>1 1 1 1 1 1</p>	 <p>The top graph shows a step function of membrane potential <math>V_m</math> (V) over time <math>t</math> (ms). The values are 2 V from 0 to 2 ms, 0 V from 2 to 5 ms, -12 V from 5 to 7 ms, 8 V from 7 to 11 ms, and 12 V from 11 to 12 ms.</p> <p>The bottom graph shows a smooth curve of membrane potential <math>V_m</math> (V) over time <math>t</math> (ms). The curve starts at 0 V at 0 ms, dips to -2 V at 2 ms, rises to 10 V at 7 ms, and then falls to -13 V at 12 ms, where it levels off.</p>

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6a	D	wait180ms: MOVI Sn, B4 (n=0-6)	1	Label in correct place
	E	label: RCALL wait1ms	1	
	E	DEC Sn	1	
	D	JNZ label	1	
	E	RET	1	
6b	E	low: MOVI Sn, 70 OUT Q, Sn RET	1	Line correct with instruction, register and value
	E	High: MOVI Sn, EC	1	Correct EC
	E	OUT Q, Sn	1	Correct in both subroutine
	E	RET	1	Correct in both subroutine
6c	E	Turns on g and d	1	
	C	Make sound	1	
	A	At f = 250 Hz or T = 4 ms	1	
	B	For 128 ms	1	
6d	A*	Tests MSB to find out if adc≥128	1	
	A*	If not show L	1	
	A*	!#-adc is compared with 7C	1	
	A*	If so make sound and show = (ecf)	1	
	A*	If adc>10000011 then show H	1	

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7a	D	Transformer works with ac only	1	
7b	E D	Produces correct polarity Fully correct circuit	1 1	
7c	D C C	Constant <u>voltage reference</u> independent of supply Compared with output <u>Negative feedback</u> adjusts output to reference	1 1 1	
7d	EE	Max 2 from: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• More efficient</li> <li>• Lighter</li> <li>• Smaller</li> </ul>	2	

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8a	E D E E	4 D-type flip-flops used all clocks connected together to CK outputs from Qs Inputs to Ds	1 1 1 1	<p>Qs not connected to anything else</p> <p>Ds not connected to anything else</p> 
8b	E	0100101	1	

8c	C	1010110 First 4 bit correct	1	
	E	Last 3 bits correct	1	
8d	E	73 = 1001001	1	
	B	Add an extra bit for negative flag 01001001	1	128 – 73 = 55
	D	Invert all bits 10110110	1	55= 0110111
	C	Add 1 10110111	1	-128 +55 = 10000000 + 0110111 =10110111
8e	D	Two's complement processor before one input of adder	1	<pre> graph LR     A[binary number A] --&gt; FA[full adder]     B[binary number B] --&gt; TCP[two's complement processor]     TCP --&gt; FA     FA --&gt; Out[answer = A-B]             </pre>
	C	On output B	1	

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