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ECE 3355 – Final Exam

July 26, 2016

Keep this exam closed until you are told to begin.

1. This exam is closed book, closed notes. You may use one 8.5” x 11” crib sheet, or its equivalent.

2. Show all work on these pages. Show all work necessary to complete the problem. A solution without the appropriate work shown will receive no credit. A solution that is not given in a reasonable order will lose credit. Clearly indicate your answer (for example by enclosing it in a box). If your answer is a plot, no box is needed.

3. It is assumed that your work will begin on the same page as the problem statement. If you choose to begin your work on another page, you must indicate this on the page with the problem statement, with a clear indication of where the work can be found. **If your work continues on to another page, indicate clearly where your work can be found. Failure to indicate this clearly will result in a loss of credit.**

4. Show all units in solutions, intermediate results, and figures. Units in the exam will be included between square brackets.

5. Do not use red ink. Do not use red pencil.

6. You will have 170 minutes to work on this exam.

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 Total = 240

Room for extra work

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a) Find the value of *f1*.

b) Determine whether there are poles or zeroes at *f1*, and if so, how many of them.

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2. {40 Points} Use the circuit below to solve this problem. Assume ideal op amps.

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3. {40 Points} Assume an ideal op amp in the figure below. Assume that the diode can be modeled with the ECE 3355 piecewise-linear diode model, with
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5. {40 Points} Use the circuit shown to solve this problem. Assume that for the transistor ** = 200, and that it is operating at room temperature.

a) Find *VE*.

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