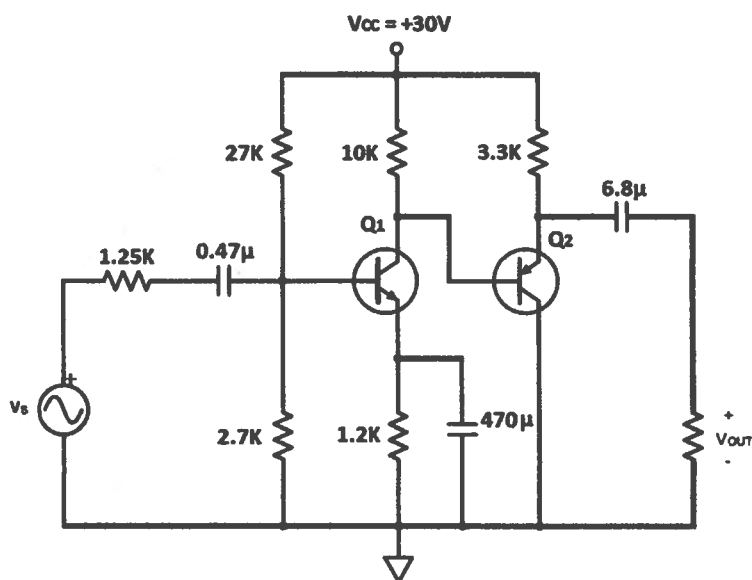


1) Refer to the following circuit:



Which type of transistor is  $Q_1$  (NPN or PNP), and in what amplifier configuration is it used (common-emitter, common-base, or common-collector)?

NPN

(+1)

Common-emitter

(+1)

Please answer the same questions for  $Q_2$ .

PNP

(+1)

Common-collector

(+1)

Determine  $V_{B1}$ ,  $V_{E1}$ ,  $I_{E1}$ ,  $I_{C1}$ ,  $V_{C1}$ , and  $V_{CE1}$  if base current may be assumed negligible due to high  $\beta$ . Check  $P_{diss1}$  and verify that the transistor is operating in the active region.

$$V_{B1} = 30 \left[ \frac{2.7}{2.7 + 27} \right] = 2.724 \text{ V} \quad (+2)$$

$$V_{E1} = V_{B1} - 0.7 = 2.027 \text{ V} \quad (+1)$$

$$I_{E1} = \frac{V_{E1}}{R_{E1}} = \frac{2.027}{1.2k} = 1.689 \text{ mA} \quad (+2)$$

$$\text{high-}\beta \rightarrow I_{C1} \sim 1.689 \text{ mA} \quad (+1)$$

$$V_{C1} = V_{CC} - I_{C1} R_{C1} = 30 - 1.689 \cdot 10 = 13.11 \text{ V} \quad (+2)$$

$$V_{CE1} = V_{C1} - V_{E1} = 11.08 \text{ V} \quad (+1)$$

$> 0.2 \text{ V}$ ;  
yes active region

$$P_{diss1} = V_{CE1} \cdot I_{C1} = 11.08 \cdot 1.689 = 18.71 \text{ mW} \quad (+2)$$

Now determine  $V_{B2}$ ,  $V_{E2}$ ,  $I_{E2}$ ,  $I_{C2}$ ,  $V_{C2}$ ,  $V_{CE2}$ ,  $P_{diss2}$ , and verify active region under the same high- $\beta$  assumption.

$$V_{B2} = V_{C1} = 13.11 \text{ V} \quad (+1)$$

$$V_{E2} = V_{B2} + 0.7 = 13.81 \text{ V} \quad (+1)$$

$$I_{E2} = \frac{V_{CC} - V_{E2}}{R_{E2}} = \frac{30 - 13.81}{3.3k} = 4.906 \text{ mA} \quad (+2)$$

$$I_{E2} = 4.906 \text{ mA} \quad (+2)$$

$$\therefore I_{C2} \approx 4.906 \text{ mA} \quad (+1)$$

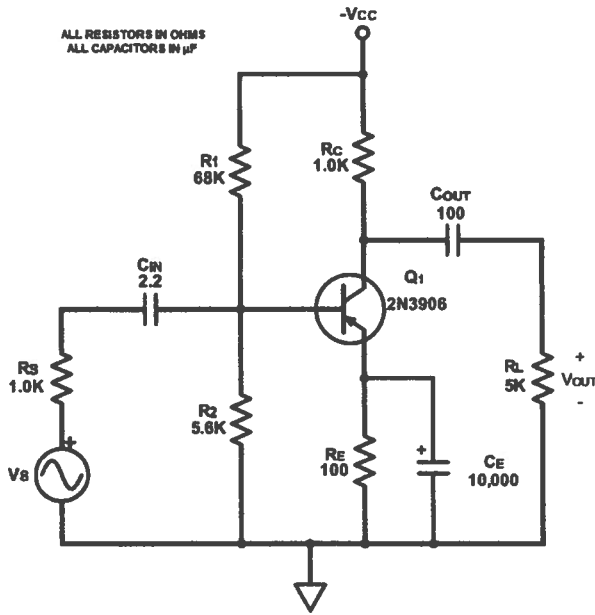
$$V_{C2} = 0 \text{ (ground)} \quad (+1)$$

$$V_{CE2} = V_{C2} - V_{E2} = 0 - 13.81 = -13.81 \text{ V} \quad (+1)$$

$|-13.81| > 0.2 \text{ V}$ ;  
yes, active

$$P_{diss2} = |V_{CE2}| \cdot I_{C2} = 13.81 \cdot 4.906 = 67.75 \text{ mW} \quad (+2)$$

2) A silicon PNP transistor is used in a common-emitter amplifier configuration. Collector current is known to be 2.4 mA and the transistor has an Early voltage of 220 V and beta 320. Calculate the parameters  $g_m$ ,  $r_b$ , and  $r_o$ .



$$g_m = 35 I_C = 35 \cdot 2.4 = 84 \frac{\text{mA}}{\text{V}} \quad (+2)$$

$$r_b = \frac{\beta}{g_m} = \frac{320}{84} = 3.81 \text{ k}\Omega \quad (+2)$$

$$r_o = \frac{|V_A|}{I_C} = \frac{220}{2.4} = 91.67 \text{ k}\Omega \quad (+2)$$

Determine the mid-frequency small-signal gains  $A_{v1}$  and  $A_{v2}$  and the overall gain of the amplifier in dB.

$$R_b' = r_b \parallel R_1 \parallel R_2 = 3.81 \parallel 68 \parallel 5.6 = 2.194 \text{ k}\Omega \quad (+1)$$

$$A_{v1} = \frac{V_{be}}{V_s} = \frac{R_b'}{R_b' + R_s} = \frac{2.194}{2.194 + 1} = 0.6869 \quad (+2)$$

or  $-3.3 \text{ dB}$

$$A_{v2} = \frac{V_{out}}{V_{be}} = -g_m (r_o \parallel R_c \parallel R_L) = -84 (91.67 \parallel 1 \parallel 5) = -69.37 \quad (+2)$$

$\rightarrow -36.8 \text{ dB}$

overall midband gain:  $-3.3 + 36.8 = 33.5 \text{ dB (inverting)} \quad (+1)$

Determine the high-frequency input capacitance using Miller's Theorem if  $C_{BC} = 4.5 \text{ pF}$  and  $C_{BE} = 12 \text{ pF}$ . Use it to compute the input HF cutoff frequency. You do not have to compute the output capacitance or cutoff frequency.

Miller Time!

$$C_{BC(IN)} = C_{BC} (1 - A_{v2}) = 4.5 (1 - -69.37) = 316.7 \text{ pF} \quad (+2)$$

$$C_{IN} = C_{BC(IN)} + C_{BE} = 316.7 + 12 = 328.7 \text{ pF} \quad (+1)$$

$$f_{H(IN)} = \frac{1}{2\pi C_{IN} R_b' \parallel R_s} = \frac{1}{2\pi \cdot 328.7 \times 10^{-12} (1 \text{ k} \parallel 2.194 \text{ k})}$$

$\rightarrow 686.9 \text{ Hz}$

$$f_{H(IN)} = 704.9 \text{ kHz} \quad (+2)$$