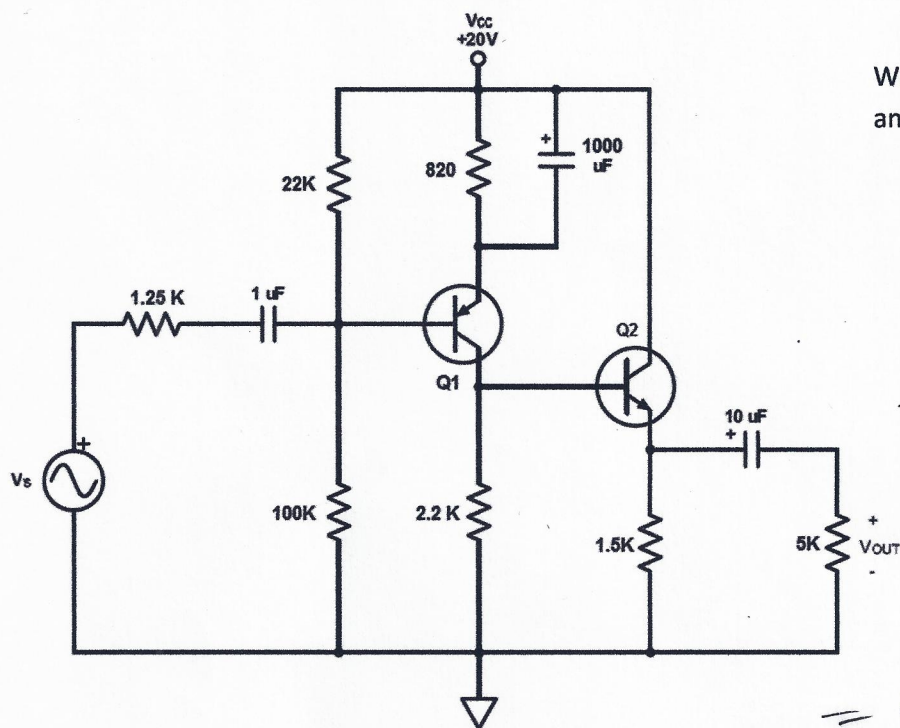


60 pts.

SOLUTION

The following is a two-stage direct-coupled BJT amplifier circuit, on which we will perform full DC and AC analyses.



Which type of transistor is Q_1 , and in what amplifier configuration is it being used?

PNP (+1)

Common-emitter

(+1)

$$P_{diss} = |V_{CE}| \cdot I_C$$

$$= 9.283 \cdot 3.549 = 32.94 \text{ mW}$$

Determine V_{B1} , V_{E1} , I_{C1} , V_{C1} , and V_{CE1} if base current may be assumed negligible due to high β . Check P_{diss1} and verify that the transistor is operating in the active region. (+2)

$$V_{B1} = 20 \left[\frac{100K}{100K + 22K} \right] = 16.39 \text{ V} \quad (+2)$$

$$V_{BE1} = -0.7 \text{ V (PNP)}$$

$$\therefore V_{E1} = V_{B1} - V_{BE1} = 16.39 - -0.7 = 17.09 \text{ V} \quad (+2)$$

$$I_{C1} = \frac{V_{CC} - V_{E1}}{R_{E1}} = \frac{20 - 17.09}{820} = 0.003549$$

$$\therefore I_{E1} \approx I_{C1} = 3.549 \text{ mA} \quad (+2)$$

$$V_{C1} = I_{C1} \cdot R_{C1} = 3.549 \cdot 2.2K = 7.807 \text{ V} \quad (+2)$$

$$V_{CE1} = V_{C1} - V_{E1} = 7.807 - 17.09 = -9.283 \text{ V} \quad (+2)$$

yes, active (+1)

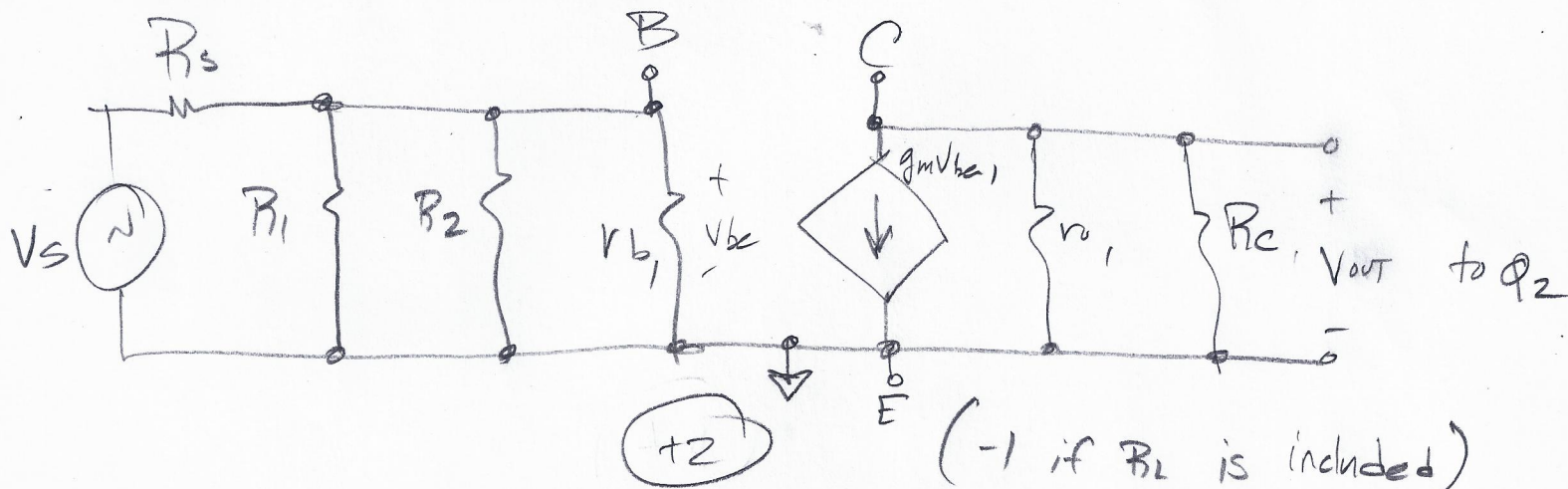
Calculate the parameters g_{m1} , r_{b1} , and r_{o1} if $\beta = 300$ and the Early voltage $|V_A|$ is 100 V. Include a unit with each answer.

$$g_{m1} = 35 I_C = 35 \cdot 3.549 = 124.2 \text{ mA/V}$$

$$r_{b1} = \frac{\beta}{g_m} = \frac{300}{124.2} = 2.415 \text{ k}\Omega$$

$$r_{o1} = \frac{|V_A|}{I_C} = \frac{100}{3.549} = 28.18 \text{ k}\Omega$$

Draw the mid-frequency AC small-signal model for amplifier section pertaining to Q_1 . Hint: due to the circuit configuration, R_L is no longer part of the first amplifier stage.



Compute the input and output transfers A_{v1} and A_{v2} and use them to determine the overall mid-frequency gain $A_v(\text{dB})$.

$$R_b' = R_1 \parallel R_2 \parallel r_{b1} = 22\text{k} \parallel 100\text{k} \parallel 2.415\text{k} = 2.130 \text{ k}\Omega$$

$$A_{v1} = \frac{R_b'}{R_b' + R_s} = \frac{2.130}{2.130 + 1.25} = 0.6302$$

$$A_{v2} = -g_{m1} \cdot (r_{o1} \parallel R_c) = -124.2 (28.18\text{k} \parallel 2.2\text{k}) = -253.5$$

$$A_v = 0.6302 \cdot -253.5 = -159.7$$

$$\Rightarrow \underline{44 \text{ dB inverting}}$$

Determine the high-frequency input capacitance using Miller's Theorem if $C_{BC1} = 5.0 \text{ pF}$ and $C_{BE1} = 22 \text{ pF}$. Use it to compute the input HF cutoff frequency. You do not have to compute the output capacitance or cutoff frequency.

$$C_{BC(1N)} = C_{BC1} (1 - A_{v2}) = 5 \times 10^{-12} (1 - -253.5)$$

$$= \underline{1273 \text{ pF}} \quad (+1)$$

$$f_{H(1N)} = \frac{1}{2\pi (C_{BE1} + C_{BC(1N)}) (R_s \parallel R_{b1})}$$

\downarrow 22 pF \downarrow 1273 pF \Rightarrow $= 1250 \parallel 2130$
 $= 787.7 \Omega$

$$\underline{f_{H(1N)} = 156.0 \text{ kHz}} \quad (+2)$$

Compute the LF cutoff frequencies due to the input and emitter capacitors.

$$f_{C_{IN}} = \frac{1}{2\pi C_{IN} (R_s + R_{b1})} = \frac{1}{2\pi \cdot 1 \times 10^{-6} (1.25k + 2.130k)}$$

$$\underline{f_{C_{IN}} = 47.09 \text{ Hz}} \quad (+2)$$

no penalty if R_E is included

$$R_{CE} \approx \frac{1}{g_m} = \frac{1}{124.2 \times 10^{-3}} = 8.052 \Omega \quad (\pi)$$

$$f_{CE} = \frac{1}{2\pi \cdot C_E \cdot R_{CE}} = \frac{1}{2\pi \cdot 1000 \times 10^{-6} \cdot 8.052}$$

$$\underline{f_{CE} = 19.77 \text{ Hz}} \quad (+2)$$

What type of transistor is Q_2 , and in what amplifier configuration is it being used?

NPN (+1)
common-collector / emitter follower (+1)

Determine V_{B2} , V_{E2} , I_{E2} , and V_{CE2} if base current may be assumed negligible due to high β . Check P_{diss2} and verify that the transistor is operating in the active region. Note: we already know V_{B2} due to the direct-coupled connection to Q_1 . Also determine g_{m2} .

$$V_{B2} = V_{C1} = \underline{7.807V} \quad (+1)$$

$$V_{BE2} = 0.7V \quad (\text{NPN})$$

$$V_{E2} = V_{B2} - V_{BE2} = 7.807 - 0.7 = \underline{7.107} \quad (+2)$$

$$I_{E2} = \frac{V_{E2}}{R_{E2}} = \frac{7.107}{1.5k} = \underline{4.738 \text{ mA}} \quad (+2)$$

$$V_{CE2} = V_{C2} - V_{E2} = 20 - 7.107 = \underline{12.89V} \quad (+2)$$

\Downarrow
 $= V_{CC}$

\uparrow
yes, active (+1)

$$P_{diss2} = I_{E2} \cdot V_{CE2} = 4.738 \cdot 12.89 = \underline{61.09 \text{ mW}} \quad (+2)$$

Determine the LF cutoff frequency caused by the output capacitor. Hint: we know the output resistance of the amplifier, so we can compute the resistance "seen" by C_{OUT} . Finally, determine the approximate overall cutoff frequency f_L .

$$g_{m2} \stackrel{\approx I_{E2}}{=} 35 I_{C2} = 35 \cdot 4.738$$

$$= \underline{165.8 \text{ mA/V}} \quad (+1)$$

$$\therefore R_{OUT} \approx \frac{1}{g_{m2}} = \frac{1}{165.8 \times 10^{-3}} = 6.030$$

$$\underline{\Omega} \quad (+1)$$

$$R_{E(OUT)} = R_{OUT} + R_L = 6.030 + 5k \approx \underline{5k} \quad (+1)$$

$$\therefore f_L(OUT) = \frac{1}{2\pi \cdot C_{OUT} \cdot R_{E(OUT)}} = \frac{1}{2\pi \cdot 10 \times 10^{-6} \cdot 5k}$$

$$\underline{f_L(OUT) = 3.183 \text{ Hz}} \quad (+2)$$

f_L dominated by $f_{CC(10)}$ [eh, maybe ...]

$$\therefore f_L \approx 47\text{-ish Hz} \quad (+2)$$

(in reality a little higher)