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Preliminary Report II: Last Stage Amplifier

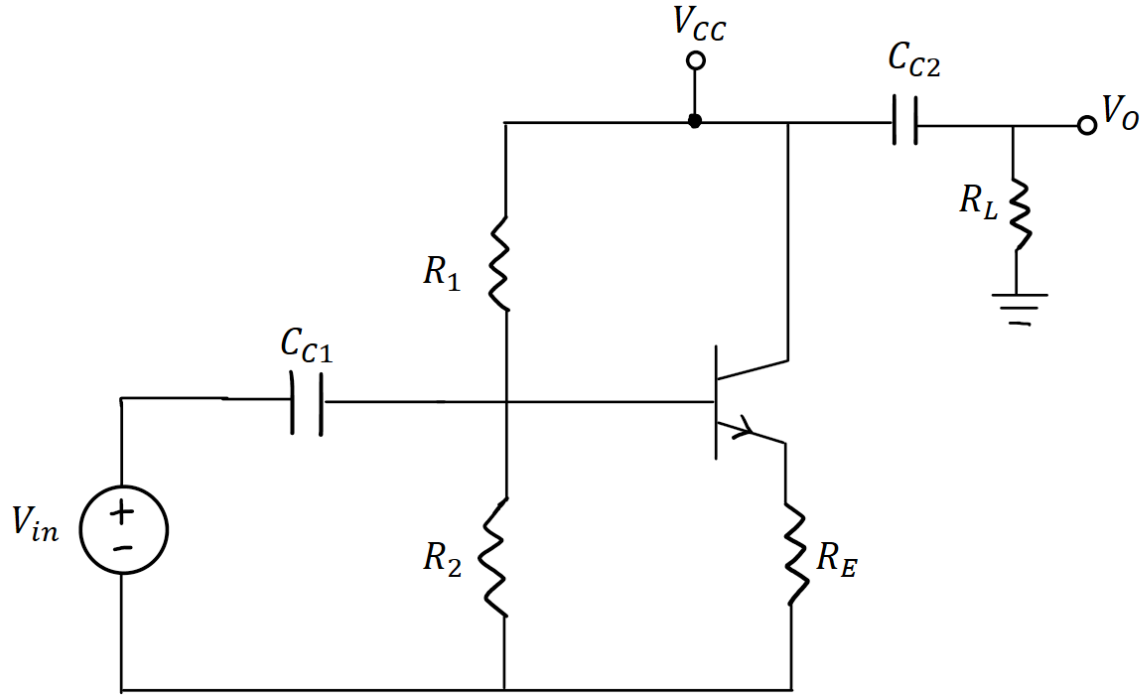


Figure 1: DC Circuit for Emitter Follower Stage

Our theoretically calculated DC circuit parameters are as follows:

$$V_{CC} = 9\text{ V}$$

$$V_{CEQ} = \frac{V_{CC}}{2} = 4.5\text{ V}$$

$$R_L = 10\ \Omega, V_{L,max} > 200\text{ mV}, I_{L,max} \approx 20\text{ mA}$$

$$I_{CQ} \approx 2I_{L,max} \approx 40\text{ mA}$$

$$I_{BQ} = 0.4\text{ mA}, I_{EQ} = 40.4\text{ mA}$$

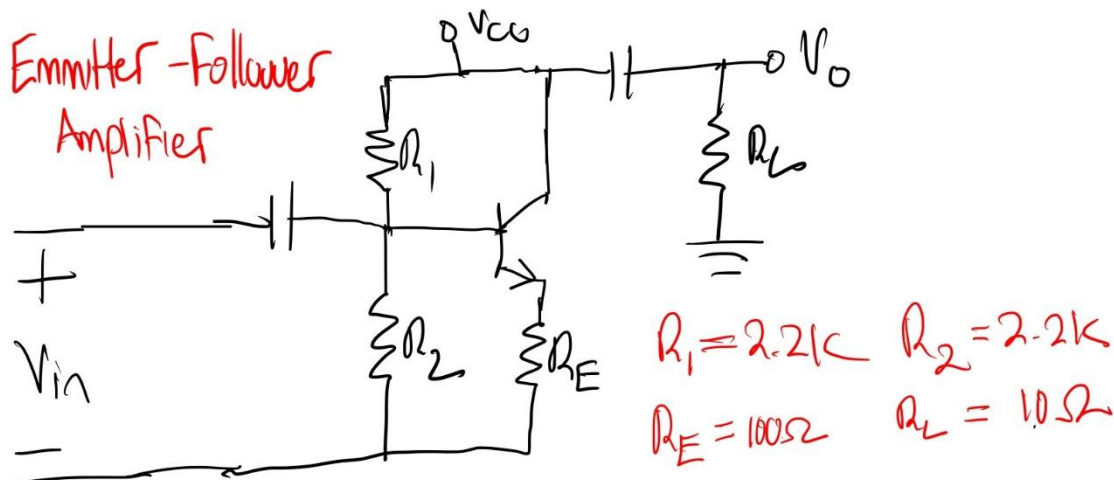
$$R_E = \frac{(V_{CC} - V_{CE})}{I_{EQ}} \approx 100\ \Omega$$

$$R_{TH} \approx 0.1(1 + \beta)R_E \approx 1010\ \Omega$$

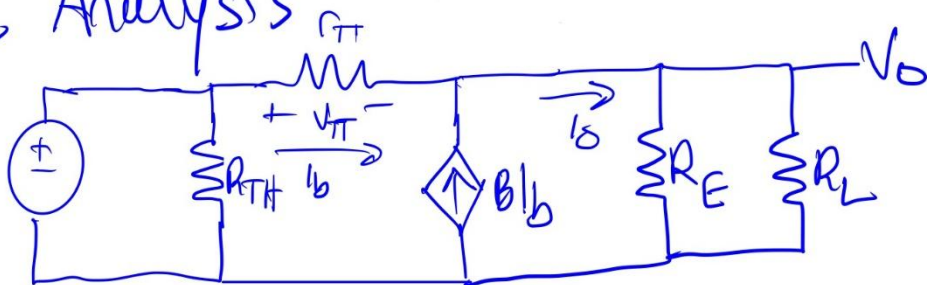
$$V_{TH} = R_{TH}I_{BQ} + V_{BE}(on) + R_E I_{EQ} = 5.144\text{ V}$$

$$R_1 = R_2 = 2.2\text{ k}\Omega$$

Our goal is to design an emitter follower amplifier to have sufficient current flowing through the load resistor ($> 10 \text{ mA}$).



AC Analysis



$$r_{\pi} = \frac{V_T}{I_{BQ}} = \frac{0.026}{0.4 \text{ mA}} = 65, \quad g_m = \frac{I_{CQ}}{V_T} = 1.538, \quad r_o = \infty$$

$$R_{ib} = \frac{V_{in}}{I_b} = \frac{V_{TH}}{I_b} = 11.25 k\Omega \quad A_V = \frac{V_o}{V_s} = \frac{(1+\beta)(R_E \parallel R_L)}{r_{\pi} + (1+\beta)(R_E \parallel R_L)} = 0.933$$

$$R_o = \frac{V_x}{I_x} \quad I_x = \frac{V_x}{R_E} + \frac{V_x}{R_L} + \frac{V_x}{r_{\pi} + R_{TH}} - g_m V_{\pi} \quad V_{\pi} = -\frac{r_{\pi}}{r_{\pi} + R_{TH}} V_x \quad (\text{constraint})$$

$$\frac{I_x}{V_x} = \frac{1}{R_E} + \frac{1}{R_L} + \frac{1 + g_m r_{\pi}}{r_{\pi} + R_{TH}} = \frac{1}{R_o} \quad R_o = \left(\frac{r_{\pi} + R_{TH}}{1 + \beta} \right) (R_E \parallel R_L) = 104.8 \Omega$$

To find the small signal current gain, the process is as follows:

$$I_o = \frac{R_E}{R_L + R_E} i_e, i_e = (1 + \beta) i_b$$

$$-V_{in} + i_b r_\pi + (1 + \beta) i_b (R_E \parallel R_L) = 0$$

$$R_{ib} = \frac{V_{in}}{i_b} = r_\pi + (1 + \beta) (R_E \parallel R_L)$$

$$i_b = \frac{R_{TH}}{R_{TH} + R_{ib}} I_i$$

$$A_i = (1 + \beta) \frac{R_{TH}}{R_{TH} + R_{ib}} \frac{R_E}{R_L + R_E}$$

$$= \frac{(101)(10101)(100)}{(1010 + 983)(110)}$$

$$A_i = 46.53$$