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Design of Single-stage Amplifier

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Design 1:

Design a single stage RC coupled JFET amplifier for following specifications:

$V_o = 2V$, $f_L \leq 20Hz$, $|A_V| \geq 10$, $R_i \geq 1M\Omega$. Use mid-point biasing technique.

Calculate A_V , R_i and R_o of the amplifier circuit designed.

Solution:

1. Data: $V_o = 2V$, $f_L \leq 20Hz$, $|A_V| \geq 10$

2. Selection of transistor: We select N-channel JFET BFW11 from the datasheet which has the following specifications:

$g_m = 5600\mu A/V$, $V_P = -2.5V$, $r_d = 50k\Omega$, $I_{DSS} = 7mA$

3. Selection of Biasing network: Self-bias circuit is selected to give mid-band biasing. In this way, as the input swings negative and positive, we get maximum range of operation.

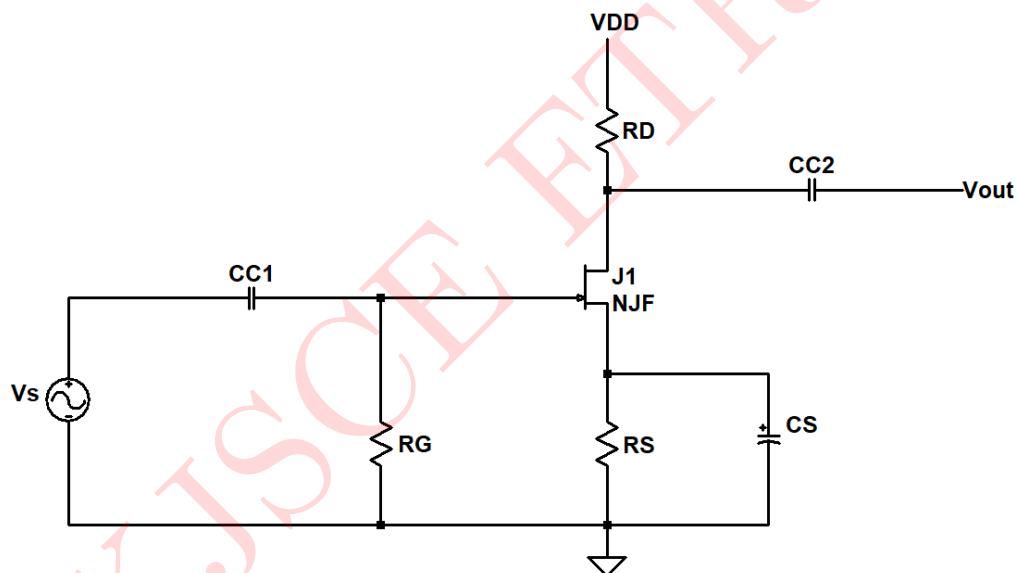


Figure 1: Circuit 1

4. Selection of Q-point (V_{DS} , I_D) :

i. For mid-point biasing:

$$I_D = \frac{I_{DSS}}{2}$$

$$\therefore I_D = \frac{7mA}{2} = 3.5mA$$

ii. In saturation region:

$$I_D = I_{DSS} \left[1 - \frac{V_{GS}}{V_P} \right]^2 \quad \dots \text{for N-channel JFET}$$

$$\therefore V_{GS} = V_P \left[1 - \sqrt{\frac{I_D}{I_{DSS}}} \right] = -2.5 \left[1 - \sqrt{\frac{1}{2}} \right] = -2.5(0.2929)$$

$$\therefore V_{GS} = -0.7322V$$

$$\text{iii. } g_m = g_{mo} \left[1 - \frac{V_{GS}}{V_P} \right] = 5600 \times 10^{-6} \left[1 - \frac{(-0.7322)}{(-2.5)} \right]$$

$$\therefore g_m = 3.960m\Omega$$

5. Selection of R_S :

For self bias of N-channel JFET:

$$V_{GS} = -I_D R_S$$

$$\therefore R_S = \frac{-V_{GS}}{I_D} = \frac{-(-0.7322)}{3.5mA}$$

$$\therefore R_S = 209\Omega$$

Selecting higher standard value for R_S , we get: $R_S = 220\Omega, 0.25W$

6. Selection of R_D :

$$A_V = -g_m(r_d \parallel R_D)$$

$$\therefore -10 = -3.960 \times 10^{-3} \left[\frac{50k\Omega \times R_D}{50k\Omega + R_D} \right]$$

$$\therefore \frac{25.2525}{50 \times 10^3} = \frac{R_D}{50k\Omega + R_D}$$

$$\therefore (0.5051)(50k\Omega + R_D) = R_D$$

$$\therefore 25.2525 + 0.5051(R_D) = R_D$$

$$\therefore 25.2525 = 0.4949R_D$$

$$\therefore R_D = 2.6595k\Omega$$

We select $R_D = 2.7k\Omega, 0.25W$

7. Selection of R_G : Select $R_G = 1M\Omega, 0.25W$

8. Selection of V_{DD} : $V_{DS} \geq 1.5 (V_{o_{peak}} + |V_P|)$

Since $V_D = 2V$ then $V_{o_{peak}} = 2\sqrt{2} V$

The value is multiplied by 1.5 to take care of the saturation voltages, variation in resistance, variation in supply voltage and device parameter variation.

$$\therefore V_{DS} = 1.5(2\sqrt{2} + 2.5) = 1.5(5.3284)$$

$$\therefore V_{DS} = 8V$$

Applying KVL to D-S loop:

$$V_{DD} - I_D R_D - V_{DS} - I_D R_S = 0$$

$$\therefore V_{DD} - I_D(R_D + R_S) = V_{DS}$$

$$\therefore V_{DD} = V_{DS} + I_D(R_D + R_S)$$

$$\therefore V_{DD} = 8 + (3.5mA)(2.7k\Omega + 220\Omega)$$

$$\therefore V_{DD} = 20V$$

9. Selection of C_S :

We know, $X_{C_S} \leq 0.1R_S$

$$\therefore \frac{1}{2\pi f_{L_{C_S}} C_S} \leq 0.1R_S$$

$$\therefore C_S \geq \frac{1}{2\pi f_{L_{C_S}} (0.1R_S)}$$

$$\therefore C_S \geq \frac{1}{2\pi \times 20 \times 0.1(220)} \quad \dots f_{L_{C_S}} = f_L = 20Hz$$

$$\therefore C_S \geq 361.715\mu F$$

Selecting higher standard value, $C_S = 390\mu F/25V$

10. Selection of C_{C1} :

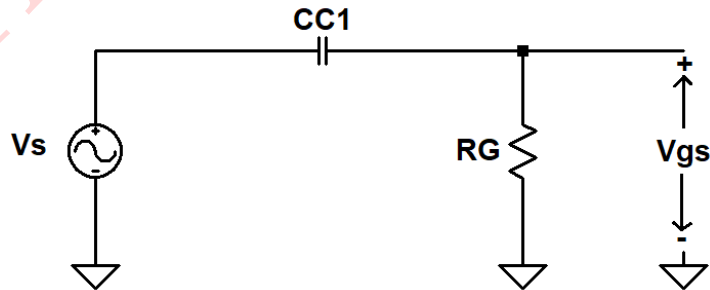


Figure 2: Small Signal low frequency equivalent circuit for C_{C1}

$$C_{C1} = \frac{1}{2\pi f_{L_{C_{C1}}} R_{eq}} \quad \dots (R_{eq} = R_G)$$

$$\therefore C_{C1} = \frac{1}{2\pi \times 20 \times 1M\Omega} \quad \dots (f_{L_{C_{C1}}} = f_L = 20Hz \text{ \& } R_G = 1M\Omega)$$

$$\therefore C_{C1} = 7.9577nF$$

Selecting higher standard value,

$$C_{C1} = 8.2\text{nF}/25\text{V}$$

Selection of C_{C2} :

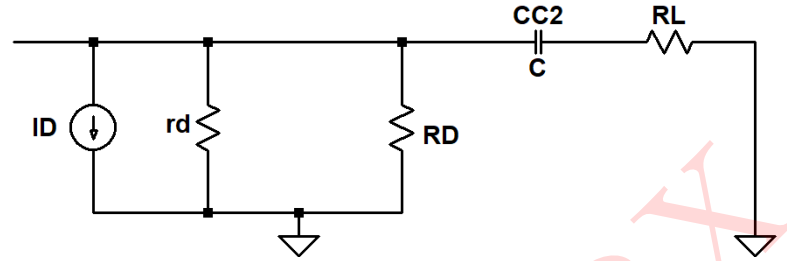


Figure 3: Small Signal low frequency equivalent circuit for C_{C2}

$$C_{C2} = \frac{1}{2\pi f_{L_{CC2}} R_{eq}} \quad \dots (f_{L_{CC2}} = f_L = 20\text{Hz})$$

$$R_{eq} = r_d \parallel R_D + R_L \quad \dots (R_L = R_G = 1\text{M}\Omega)$$

$$R_{eq} = (50\text{k}\Omega \parallel 2.7\text{k}\Omega) + 1\text{M}\Omega$$

$$\therefore R_{eq} \approx 1\text{M}\Omega$$

$$\therefore C_{C2} = \frac{1}{2\pi \times 1\text{M}\Omega \times 20} = 7.9577\text{nF}$$

Selecting a higher standard value,

$$C_{C2} = 8.2\text{nF}/25\text{V}$$

The designed circuit is shown in figure 4:

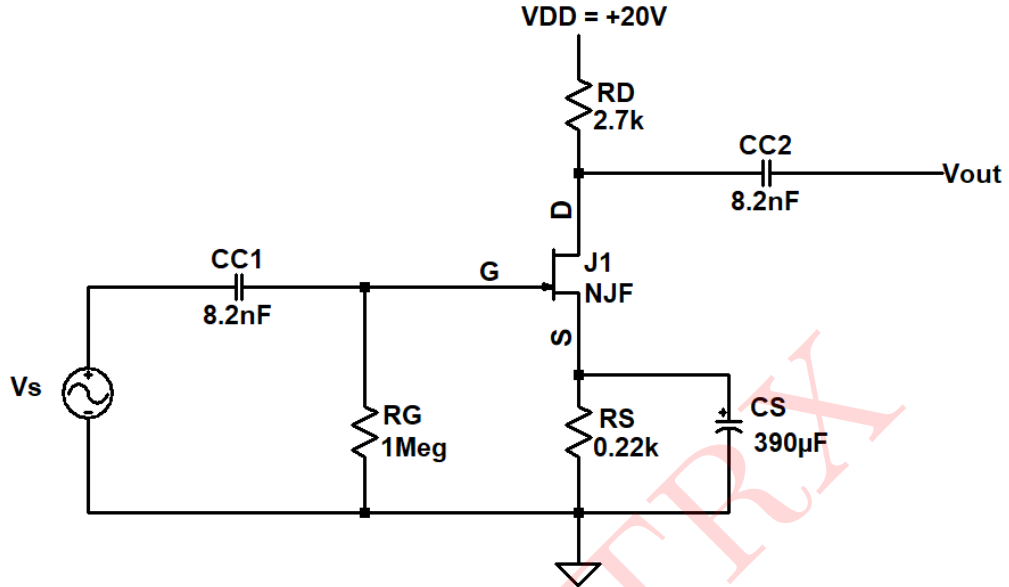


Figure 4: Designed circuit

A single stage common source N-channel JFET amplifier using mid-point biasing techniques is designed.

Small signal equivalent circuit is shown in figure 5:

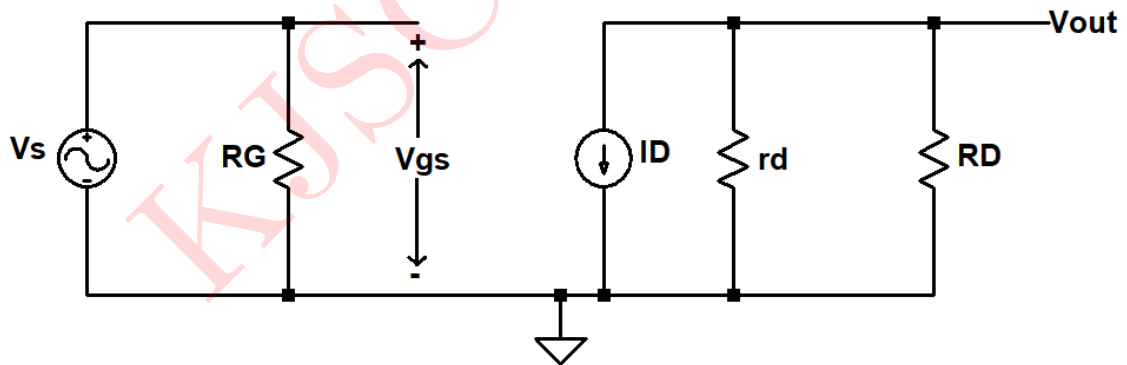


Figure 5: Small signal equivalent circuit

$$I_D = g_m V_{GS}$$

i. R_i (Input Resistance):

$$\text{Here, } R_i = R_G = 1M\Omega$$

$$\therefore \mathbf{R_i = 1M\Omega}$$

ii. R_o (Output Resistance):

$$R_o = r_d \parallel R_D = 50k\Omega \parallel 2.7k\Omega = \mathbf{2.5617k\Omega}$$

iii. A_V (Voltage gain):

$$A_V = \frac{V_{out}}{V_S}$$

$$V_{out} = -g_m V_{GS} (R_D \parallel r_d)$$

$$A_V = \frac{-g_m V_{GS} (R_D \parallel r_d)}{V_{GS}} \quad \dots (\because V_S = V_{GS})$$

$$\therefore A_V = -g_m (R_D \parallel r_d)$$

$$\therefore A_V = -(3.960 \times 10^{-3})(2.7k\Omega \parallel 50k\Omega)$$

$$\therefore \mathbf{A_V = -10.1443}$$

SIMULATED RESULTS:

Above circuit was simulated in LTspice and results obtained are as follows:

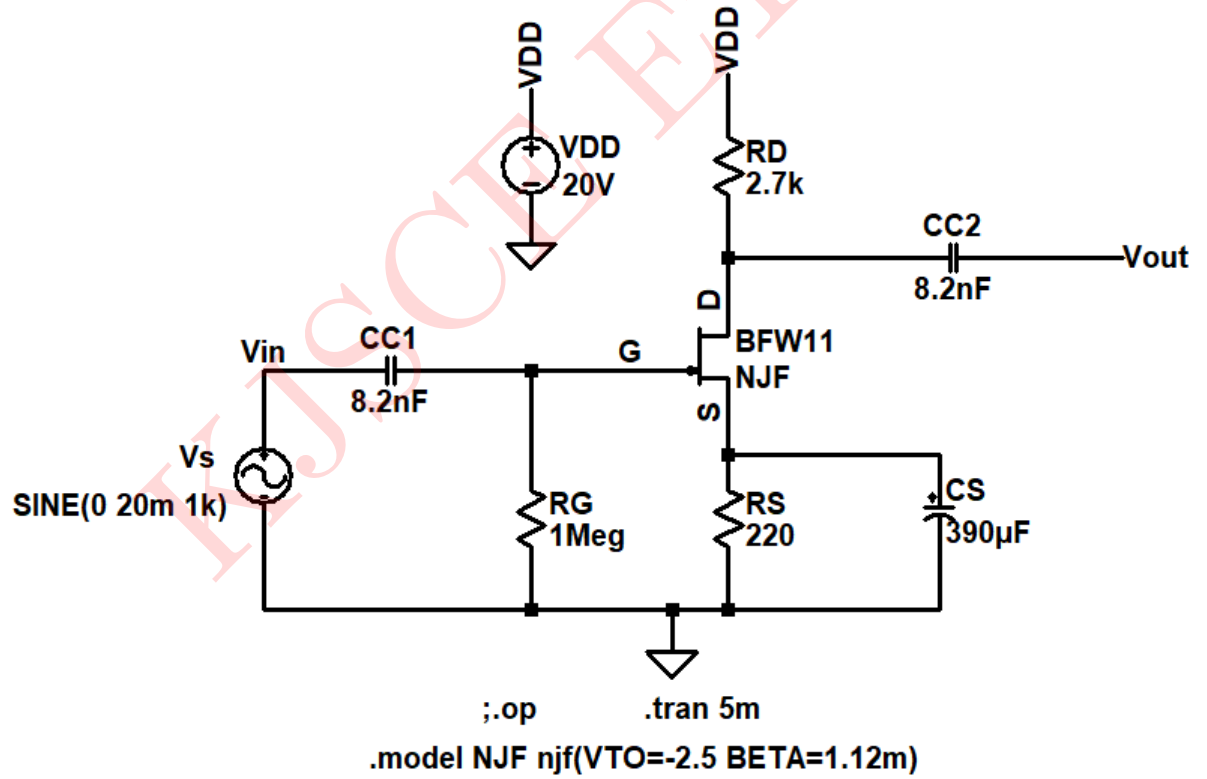


Figure 6: Circuit Schematic: Results

The input and output waveform is shown in figure 7:

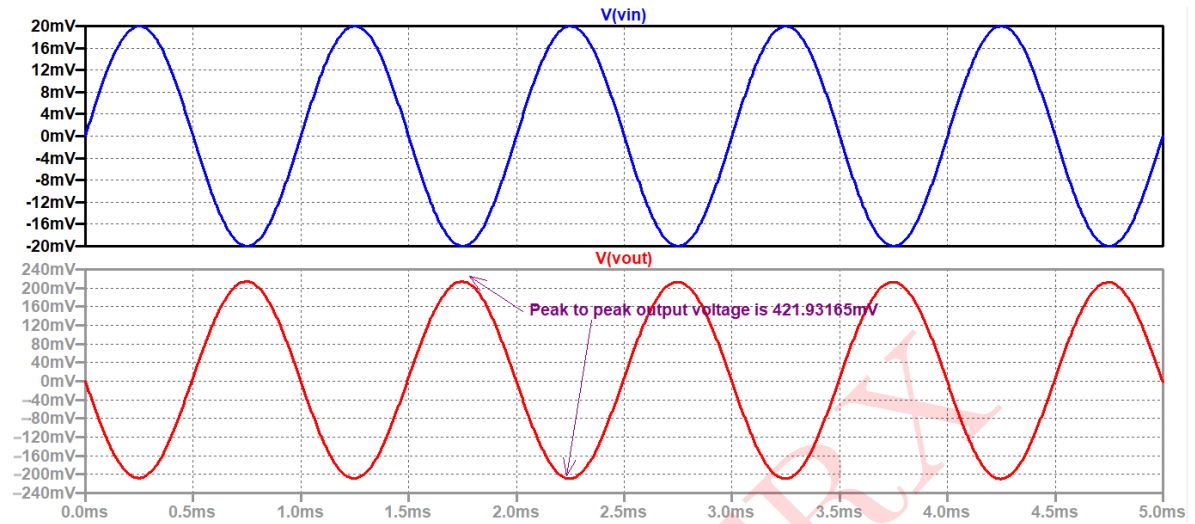


Figure 7: Input and output waveform

Comparison between theoretical and simulated values:

Parameter	Theoretical value	Simulated value
I_{DQ}	3.5mA	3.4204mA
A_V	> -10.14	-10.5

Table 1: Design 1