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Numerical

- In a class B power amplifier, load $R_L = 15 \Omega$, supply voltage $V_{CC} = 22 \text{ V}$, $V_{EE} = -22 \text{ V}$, AC input voltage is 20 V peak and frequency is 1 kHz. Calculate the efficiency of the circuit. Select suitable power transistor having ratings: I_C close to 5A and V_{CEO} close to 30V

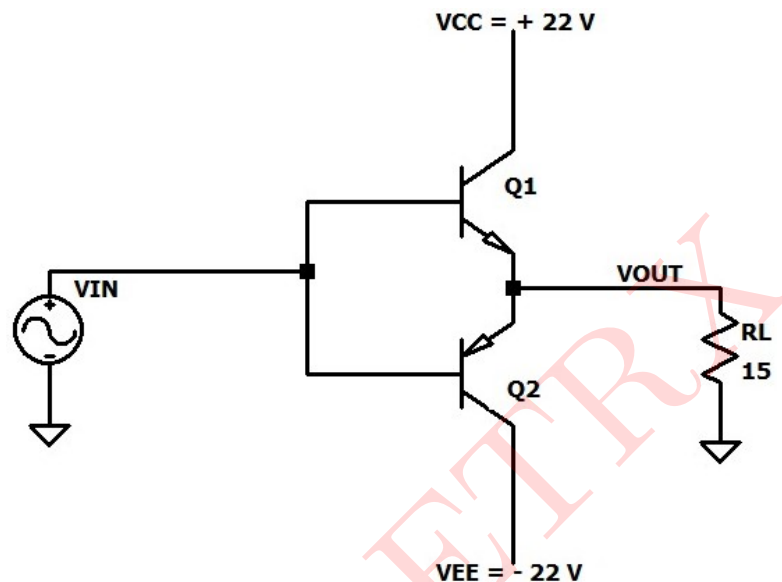


Figure 1: Circuit 1

Solution:

$$V_{in} = V_m \sin \omega t$$

$$V_{in} = V_m \sin(2\pi ft) = 20 \sin(2\pi \times 1000t)$$

$$V_m = 20 \text{ V}$$

$$P_{ac} = \frac{V_m^2}{2R_L} = \frac{20^2}{2 \times 15} = 13.333 \text{ W}$$

$$\therefore P_{ac} = 13.333 \text{ W}$$

$$I_m = \frac{V_m}{R_L} = \frac{20}{15} = 1.333 \text{ A}$$

$$P_{dc} = \frac{2 \times V_{CC} \times I_m}{\pi} = \frac{2 \times 22 \times 1.333}{\pi}$$

$$\therefore P_{dc} = 18.674 \text{ W}$$

$$\text{Efficiency } \eta = \frac{P_{ac}}{P_{dc}} = \frac{13.333}{18.674} = 71.39\%$$

SIMULATED RESULTS:

Above circuit is simulated using LTspice and the results are presented below:

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Pin(DC)} &= V_{CC} \times I_{CQ} \\ &= 44 \times (I_m / \pi) \\ &= 44 \times (1.2811 / \pi) \\ &= 17.942 \text{ W}\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Pout(AC)} &= V_{rms} \times I_{rms} \\ &= V_{om} \times I_{om} \times 0.5 \\ &= 19.21797 \times 1.2811 \times 0.5 \\ &= 12.31 \text{ W}\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\% \text{ Efficiency} &= 100 \times [\text{Pout(AC)} / \text{Pin(DC)}] \\ &= 100 \times [12.31 / 17.942] \\ \% \text{ Efficiency} &= 68.6\%\end{aligned}$$

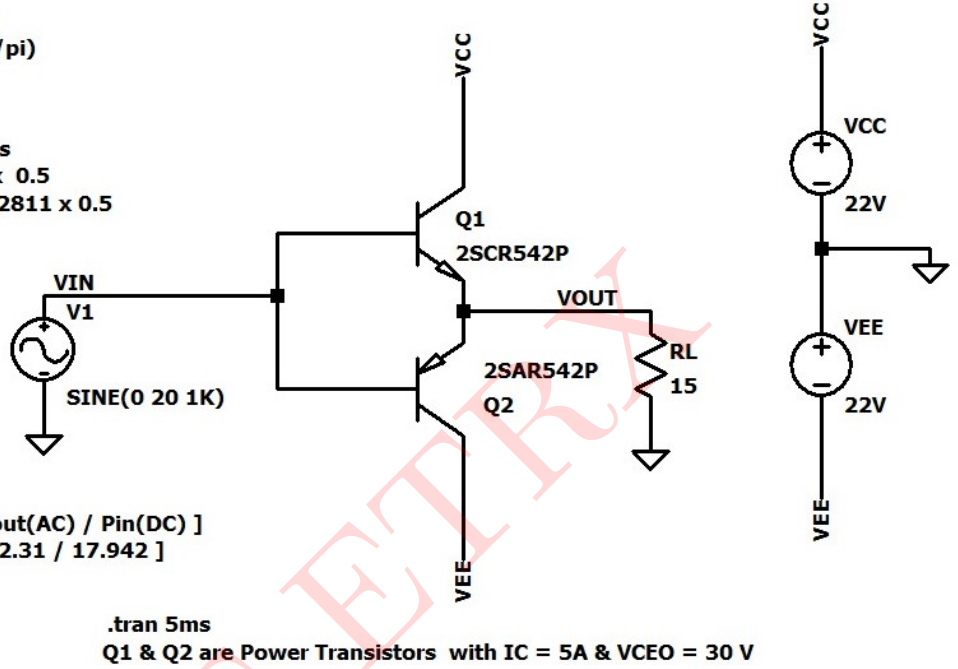


Figure 2: Circuit schematic

The waveforms for output voltage V_{out} and current through R_L are shown in Figure 3

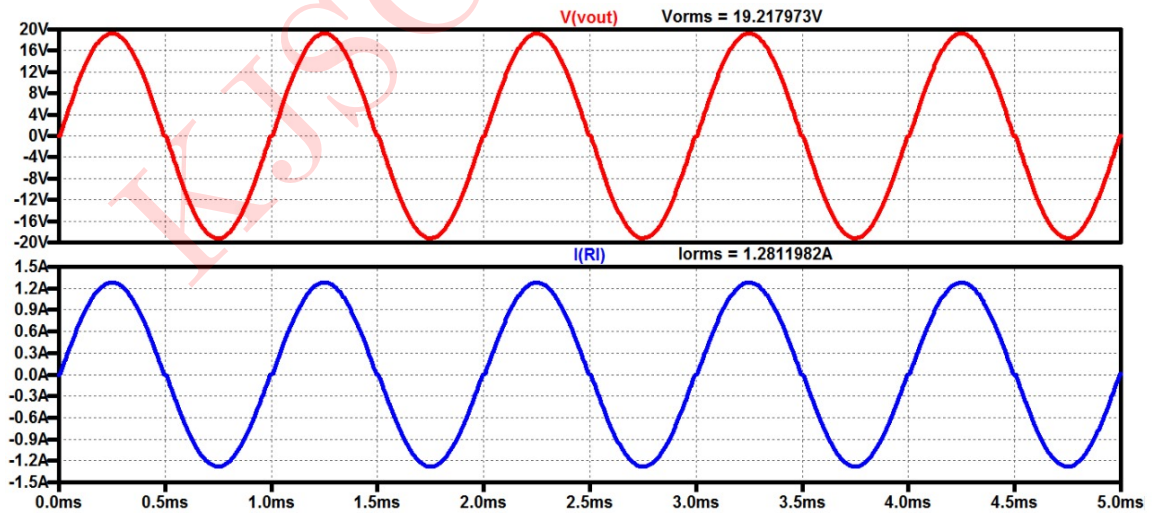


Figure 3: Output load voltage and load current waveforms

Comparison of theoretical and simulated values:

Parameters	Theoretical	Simulated
Input DC power	18.674 W	17.942 W
Output DC power	13.333 W	12.31 W
Efficiency	71.39 %	68.6 %

Table 1: Numerical 1

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