

Solutions: part 4

Largest area? $I_o = 10 \text{ uA}$.

Consider T_1 biggest, then $I_r = 50 \text{ uA}$

$$R = \frac{30 - 0.7}{50 \text{ uA}} = 586 \text{ k}\Omega$$

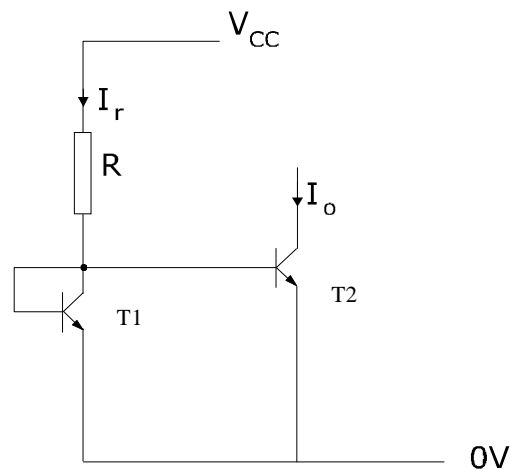
if T_2 biggest, $I_r = 10 \text{ uA}/5 = 2 \text{ uA}$

$$\text{giving } R = \frac{30 - 0.7}{2 \text{ uA}} = 14.7 \text{ M}\Omega !!$$

- enormous for an I.C.

Make T_1 biggest.

R is still very large for an I.C. (would take up a massive area).



Second circuit (Resistors must be $< 50 \text{ k}$)

Ignore base currents ($I_C \sim I_E$)

$$I_r R_1 + V_{BE1} = I_o R_2 + V_{BE2}$$

$$I_o R_2 - I_r R_1 = V_{BE1} - V_{BE2}$$

$$\frac{I_o R_2}{I_r R_1} - 1 = \frac{1}{I_r R_1} (V_{BE1} - V_{BE2}) \quad (1)$$

$$I_r = I_S \exp\left(\frac{V_{BE1}}{V_T}\right)$$

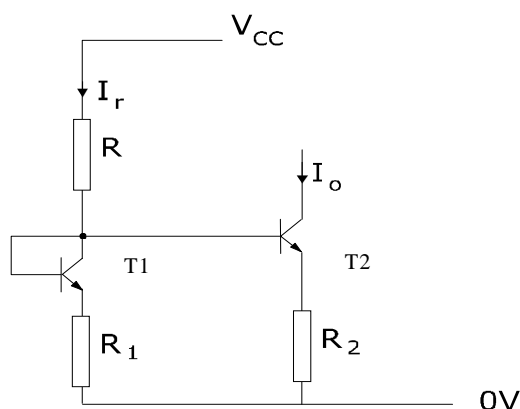
$$I_o = I_S \exp\left(\frac{V_{BE2}}{V_T}\right)$$

$$\text{so } \frac{I_o R_2}{I_r R_1} - 1 \approx \frac{V_T}{I_r R_1} \ln\left(\frac{I_r}{I_o}\right) \quad (2)$$

Given that $I_r = 1 \text{ mA}$, $I_o = 10 \text{ uA}$, which resistor biggest (R_1 or R_2) ?

Looking at Eqn.1, expect V_{BE} difference to be small so expect $\frac{I_o R_2}{I_r R_1} - 1 \approx 0$

$$\frac{I_o}{I_r} \approx \frac{R_1}{R_2}, \quad \frac{10 \text{ uA}}{1 \text{ mA}} \approx \frac{R_1}{R_2}, \quad R_1 \sim 0.01 R_2 \quad \text{so consider making } R_1 \text{ the smaller.}$$



Want resistors less than 50k, make $R_2 = 25k$ (say) so $R_1 \sim 250\Omega$.

Get more accurate values: set $R_1 = 250\Omega$,

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Use Eqn.2, $R_2 \approx \frac{V_T}{I_o} \ln\left(\frac{I_r}{I_o}\right) + \frac{I_r}{I_o} R_1 = 11,512 + 25,000 = 36.5k\Omega$ $\mathbf{R_2 = 36.5k\Omega}$

Finally need to find R: volt drop across R_1 is $I_r R_1 = 0.25V$ so voltage at collector/base node of T_1 is $0.7V + 0.25V = 0.95V$

$$R = \frac{30 - 0.95}{1mA} \sim 30k\Omega$$

$$\mathbf{R = 30k\Omega}$$

ALL RESISTORS LESS THAN 50k Ω

Note this is a DESIGN so there are other answers that will satisfy the given requirements (specification).