

Design Project: Progress Report 1

Table 1: Specifications of Amplifier Design

V_T	\square	V_{CC}	A_{V1}	A_{V2}	A_{V3}	V_E	I_C	V_{BE}	$\square/(1+\square)$	$iR1$
25 mV	100	12 V	-15.6	-16,8	1	0.4 V	1 mA	0.7 V	1	10Ib

Analysis/Calculations:

Provide appropriate calculations that explain/show how the important parameters associated with each block in the system were determined/designed. Your discussion must also include the process/calculations followed towards determining the schematic component (e.g. resistor, capacitor, etc.) values.

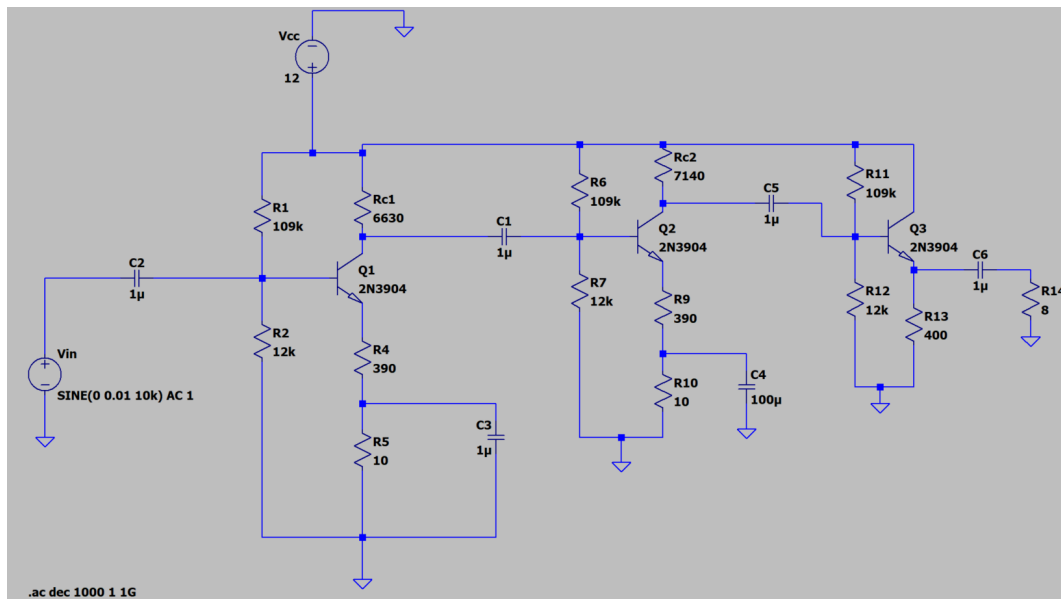


Figure 1: Cascaded Amplifier Schematic

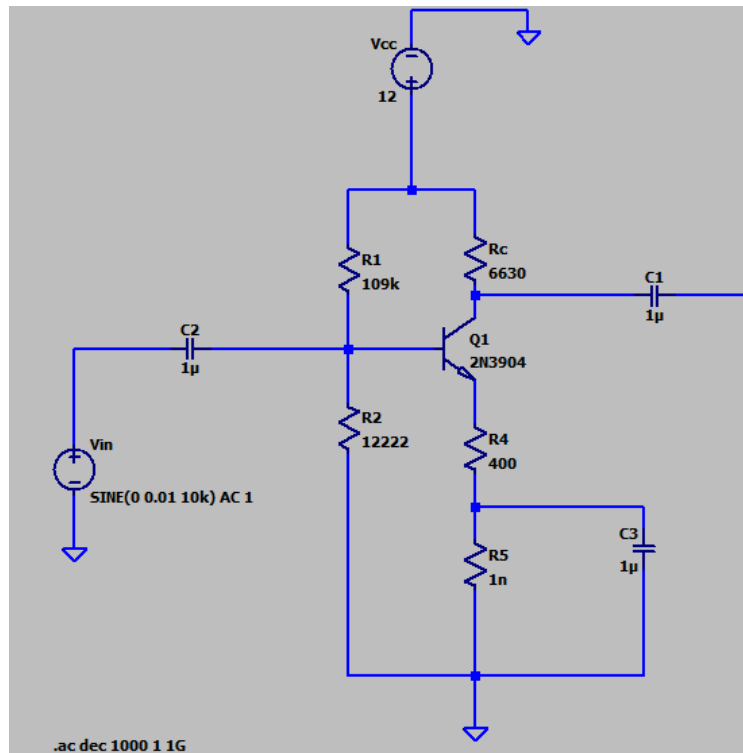


Figure 2: LTspice Schematic for Stage 1 (Decoupled)

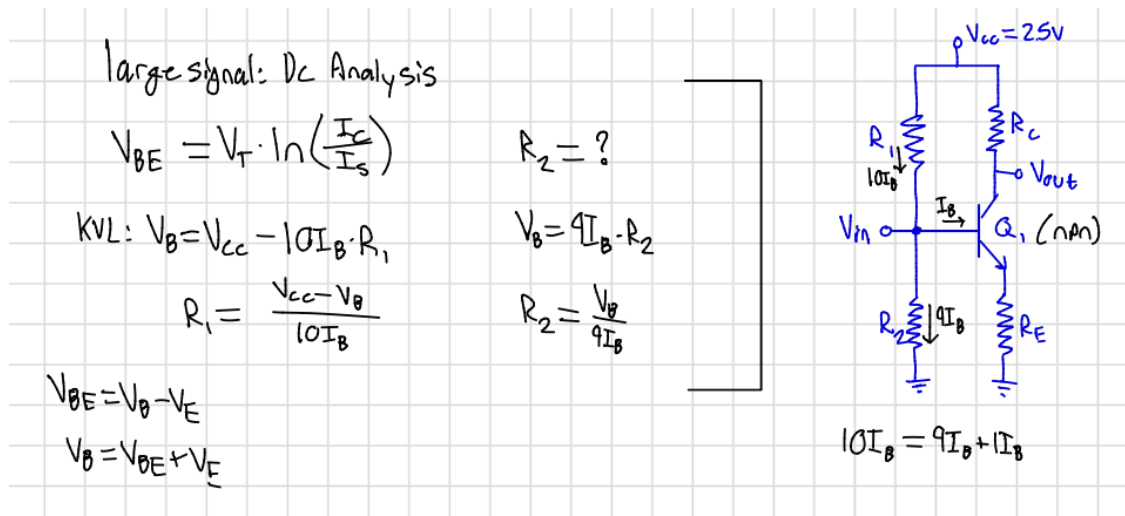
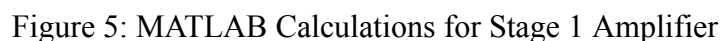


Figure 3: DC Analysis for ALL Stages

With our assumption listed in Table 1 that $iR1 = 10I_B$, all stages will have the same DC analysis. This is because, as shown in Figure 3, the only “AC” values that we need for these calculations of $R1$ and $R2$ are values that have been assumed in Table 1.



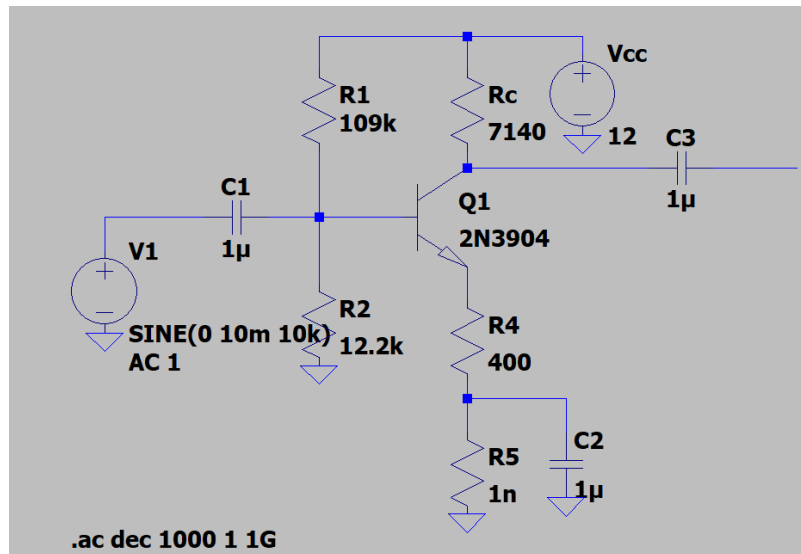


Figure 6: LTspice Schematic for Stage 2 (Decoupled)

The analysis on stage 2 followed exactly the same as stage 1, so refer to Figure 3 and 4 if you would like to look at analysis. The only difference between the analysis of these two was the value of the gain, specified in Table 1.

<pre> 1 %Stage 2 Transistor 2 clc; 3 clear; 4 close all; 5 6 % specifications of stage 2 common emitter amplifier design 7 Vt = 0.025; 8 beta = 100; 9 Vcc = 12; 10 Av = 16.8; 11 Ve = 0.4; 12 Ic = 0.001; 13 Vbe = 0.7; 14 15 Rc = (Av*(Vt+Ve))/Ic 16 Re = Ve/Ic 17 18 Ib = Ic/beta; 19 20 R1 = (Vcc-(Vbe + Ve))/(10*Ib) 21 R2 = (Vbe + Ve)/(9*Ib) 22 23 % ImpedanceOut = Rc; 24 25 % testing the region of operation of bipolar transistor 26 Vc = Vcc - Ic*Rc 27 Vb = Vbe + Ve </pre>	<pre> Rc = 7.1400e+03 Re = 400 R1 = 109000 R2 = 1.2222e+04 Vc = 4.8600 Vb = 1.1000 </pre>
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Figure 7: MATLAB Calculations for Stage 2 Amplifier

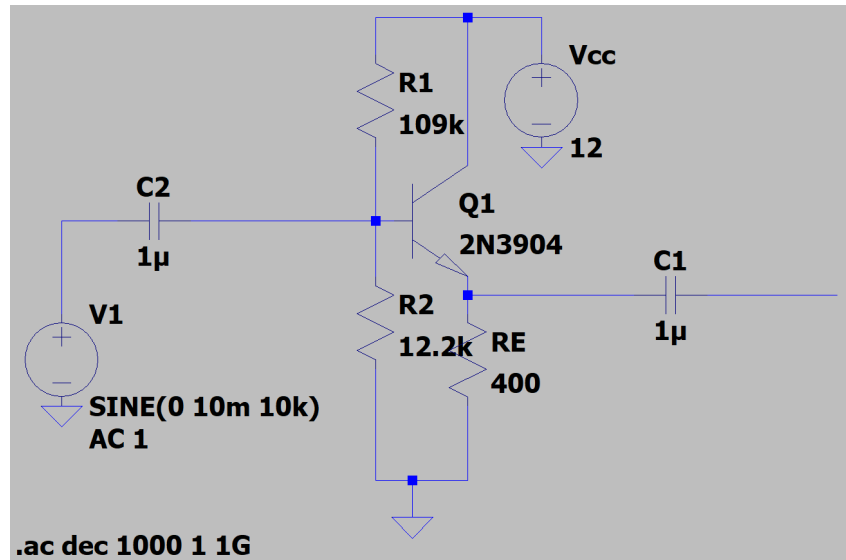


Figure 8: LTspice Schematic for Stage 3 (Decoupled)

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%stage 3 transistor decoupled

% specifications of stage 3 common emitter amplifier design
Vt = 0.025;
beta = 100;
Vcc = 12;
Av = 1;
Ve = 0.4;
Ic = .001;
Vbe = 0.7;

%solving for Rx
Ib = Ic/beta;
Re = Ve/Ic;

Rpi = Vt/Ib;
Vin = Ib*(Rpi+Re*(1+beta));

Rx = Vin/Ib;

R1 = (Vcc-(Vbe + Ve))/(10*Ib)
R2 = 15000

Gm = Ic/Vt;

Rout = (1/Rpi + 1/(1/Gm) + 1/Re)^-1;

% testing the region of operation of bipolar transistor
Vc = Vcc
Vb = Vbe + Ve

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Re =	400
Vin =	0.4290
Rx =	42900
R1 =	109000
R2 =	15000
Vc =	12
Vb =	1.1000

Figure 9: MATLAB Calculations for Stage 3 Amplifier

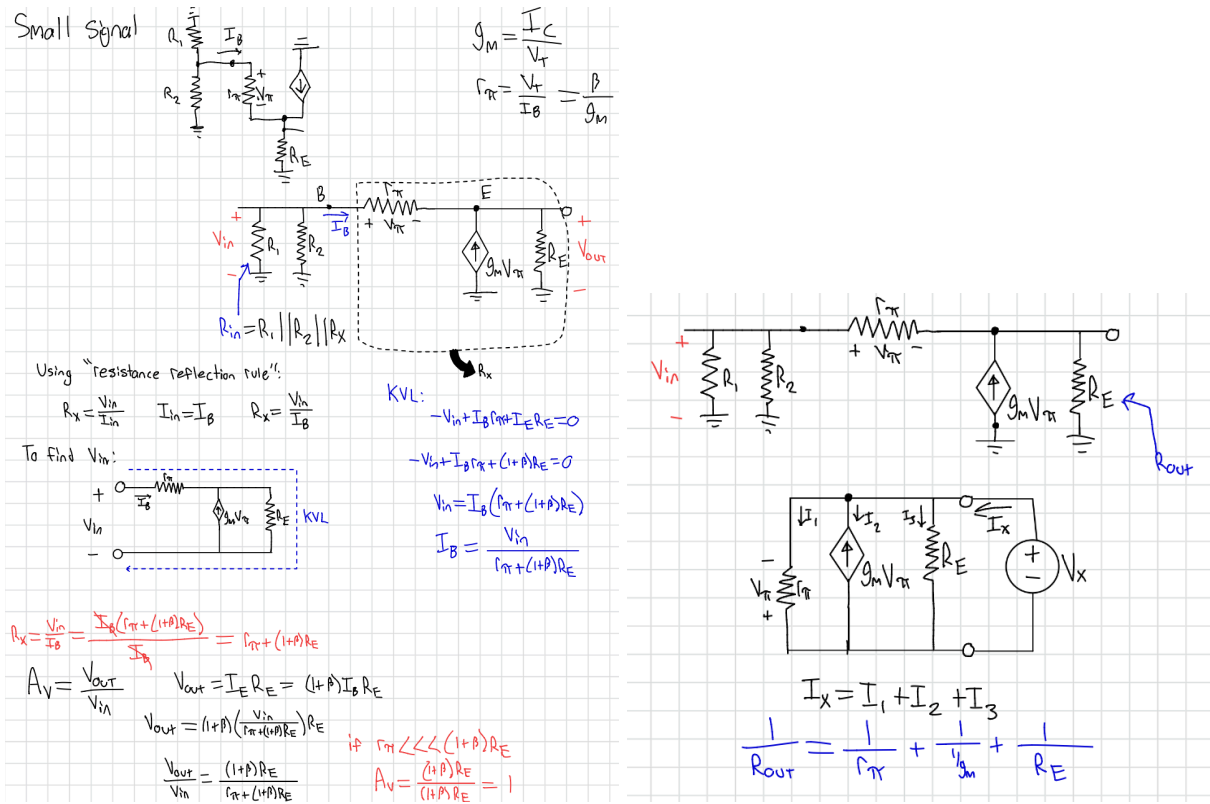


Figure 10: Small Signal (AC) Analysis for Stage 3

Simulations:

Simulating our cascaded amplifier without any modifications and solely with the calculations that we derived from large signal and small signal analysis, we saw that our Bode plot did not give the results we were looking for. Our overall gain was about 18.5, so we worked to change with impedance bridging. Below were some of our tests as we tried to determine the best course of action.

Table 2: Trial Runs Modifying Impedance Values (For Impedance Bridging)

Iteration	R1	R2	Rc1	R6	R7	Rc2	R11	R12	C
1 (no modification)	109k	12k	6.6k	109k	12k	7140	109k	12k	1u
2	109k	12k	6.6k	109k	12k	7140	109k	12k	100u
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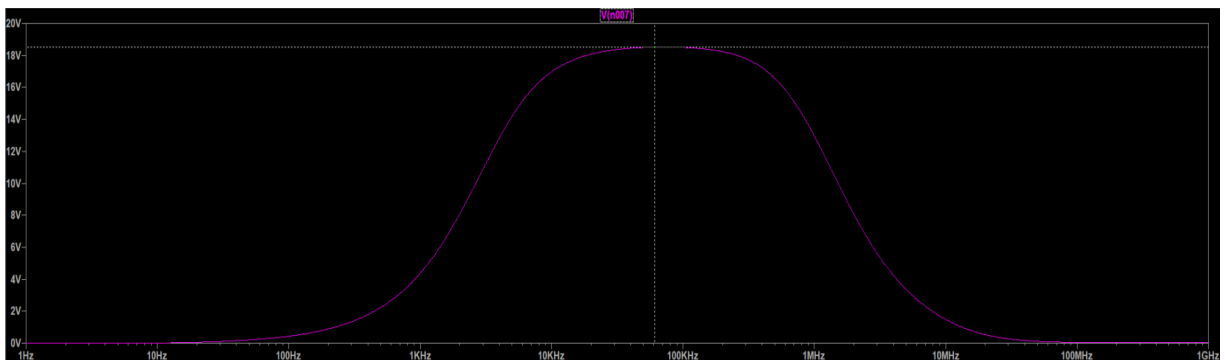


Figure 11: Gain for unmodified Amplifier (Gain = 18.5)

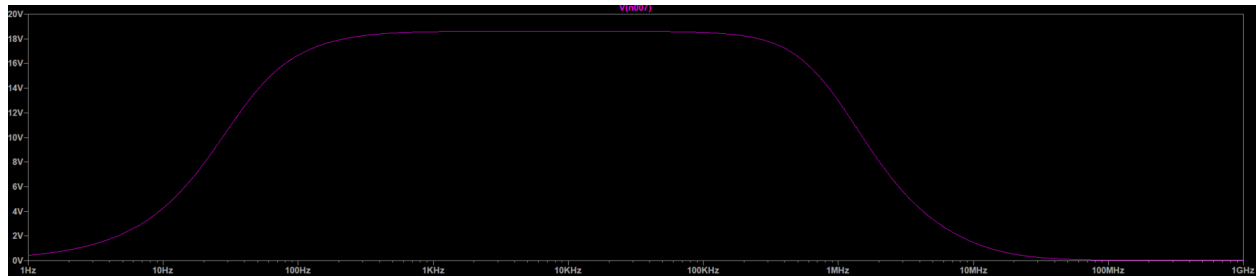


Figure 12: Gain for Amplifier (Iteration 2; Gain = 18.6)

In our second iteration, we wanted to shift the bode plot to the left, so we increased the capacitor values across the entire schematic to be 100 Microfarads instead of 1 microfarad. Although it shifted our bode plot to the left, it wasn't as much as was needed, so there will eventually be more iterations with the capacitors to get the bode plot to where it needs to be.

Group member contributions (Roughly):

Adrian: Adding all of the schematics, matlab for stage 1 and 2, both tables, and starting the impedance iterations.

Carson: Adding all of the theory for all stages, matlab and schematic for stage 3, adding onto table 1.