

28 marks

**Instructions:**

1. Provide justification/steps for each solution. Answers without reasoning will be awarded 0 marks.
2. Answer questions in order. Answer all parts of a question at one place.
3. Label x,y axis and other significant parameters in any plot you draw.

**Question 1 (a)** Consider an element E with the following V-I characteristics:

$$i_E = \begin{cases} av_E & \text{if } v_E > 2V \\ 0 & \text{if } v_E \leq 2V \end{cases}$$

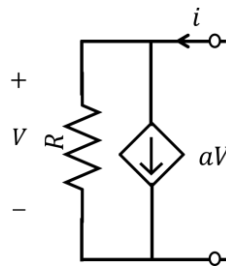
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with  $i_E$  and  $v_E$  denoting the current and voltage through/across the device E. Is the element linear? You can treat the current as output and voltage as input to the device.

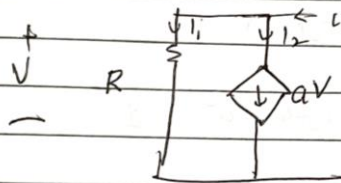
for linearity  
 if  $i_{E1}$  is output of  $v_{E1}$   
 &  $i_{E2}$  is output of  $v_{E2}$   
 then  $i_{E1} + i_{E2}$  should be output of  $v_{E1} + v_{E2}$   
 Hence for device E  
 $i_{E1} = av_{E1} \mathbb{I}(v_{E1} > 2)$   
 $i_{E2} = av_{E2} \mathbb{I}(v_{E2} > 2)$   
 $i_{E3} = av_{E3} \mathbb{I}(v_{E3} > 2)$   
 where as  $i_{E1} + i_{E2} = av_{E1} \mathbb{I}(v_{E1} > 2) + av_{E2} \mathbb{I}(v_{E2} > 2)$   
 Now if  $v_{E1} > 2$ ,  $v_{E2} < 2 \Rightarrow v_{E3} > 2$   
 then  $i_{E1} = av_{E1}$   $i_{E2} = 0$   
 $i_{E1} + i_{E2} = av_{E1}$   
 while  $i_{E3} = av_{E3} = av_{E1} + av_{E2} \neq av_{E1}$   
 $= i_{E1} + i_{E2}$   
 Hence it is not linear.  
 A simple counter example can be given.  
 take  $v_{E1} = 3V$ ,  $v_{E2} = 1V \Rightarrow v_{E3} = 4V$   
 $\downarrow$   
 $i_{E1} = 3a$   $i_{E2} = 0$   $i_{E3} = 4a$   
 Hence  $i_{E3} \neq i_{E1} + i_{E2}$

(b) Consider the below circuit. Is this sub-circuit equivalent to a resistor? If yes, write down the value of its resistance.

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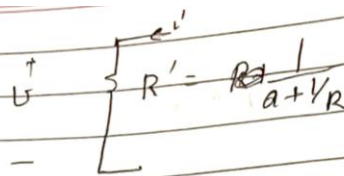
two circuits are equivalent if their IV characteristics is the same. let us compute its IV charac.



$$i = I_1 + I_2$$

$$= \frac{V}{R} + aV = V \left( \frac{a+1}{R} \right)$$

Consider the following circuit



For this circuit,

$$i = V \left( \frac{a+1}{R} \right)$$

Hence two circuit are equivalent

Yes, this circuit is equivalent to a resistor.

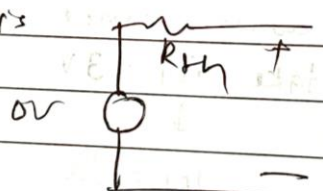
$$\text{Value} = \frac{R}{a+1}$$

Approach 2

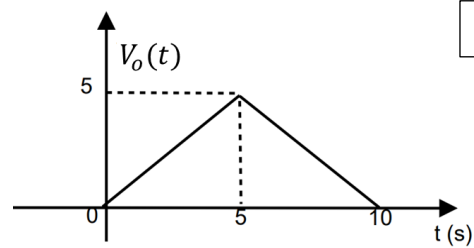
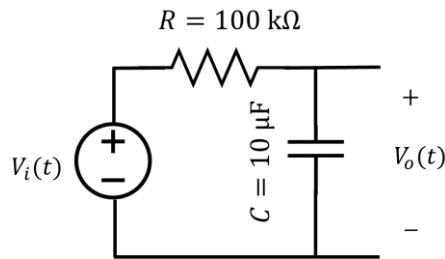
this can also be done by computing thevenin equivalent. which will come out to be a simple resistor. marks can be given if student has computed this correctly

$$V_{th} = 0 \quad R_{th} = \frac{R}{a+1}$$

equivalent is



**Question 2 (a)** Consider the RC circuit shown below (left). The output  $V_o(t)$  is shown in right. Compute and draw the input signal  $V_i(t)$  as a function of  $t$ , that must be applied to produce this output signal.



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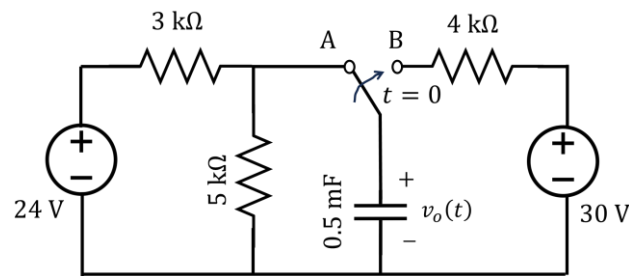
**Solution:** We have  $V_I = RC \frac{dV_0}{dt} + V_0$ .  $RC = 1$  s. For  $0 < t < 5$ , we have  $V_0 = t \implies V_I = t + 1$ . For  $5 < t < 10$ , we have  $V_0 = 10 - t \implies V_I = 9 - t$ .  $V_I(t)$  is plotted as below.



if x,y axis are not properly labeled or other significant parameters are not given, marks will be deducted.

(b) The switch in the circuit below has been in the position A for a long time. At  $t = 0$ , the switch moves to B. Determine  $v_o(t)$  for  $t > 0$ . Calculate its value at  $t = 1\text{ s}$ .

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**Solution:**

For  $t < 0$ , the switch is at position A. The capacitor acts like an open circuit to dc, but  $v$  is the same as the voltage across the 5-k $\Omega$  resistor. Hence, the voltage across the capacitor just before  $t = 0$  is obtained by voltage division as

$$v(0^-) = \frac{5}{5+3}(24) = 15\text{ V}$$

Using the fact that the capacitor voltage cannot change instantaneously,

$$v(0) = v(0^-) = v(0^+) = 15\text{ V}$$

For  $t > 0$ , the switch is in position B. The Thevenin resistance connected to the capacitor is  $R_{\text{Th}} = 4\text{ k}\Omega$ , and the time constant is

$$\tau = R_{\text{Th}} C = 4 \times 10^3 \times 0.5 \times 10^{-3} = 2\text{ s}$$

Since the capacitor acts like an open circuit to dc at steady state,  $v(\infty) = 30\text{ V}$ . Thus,

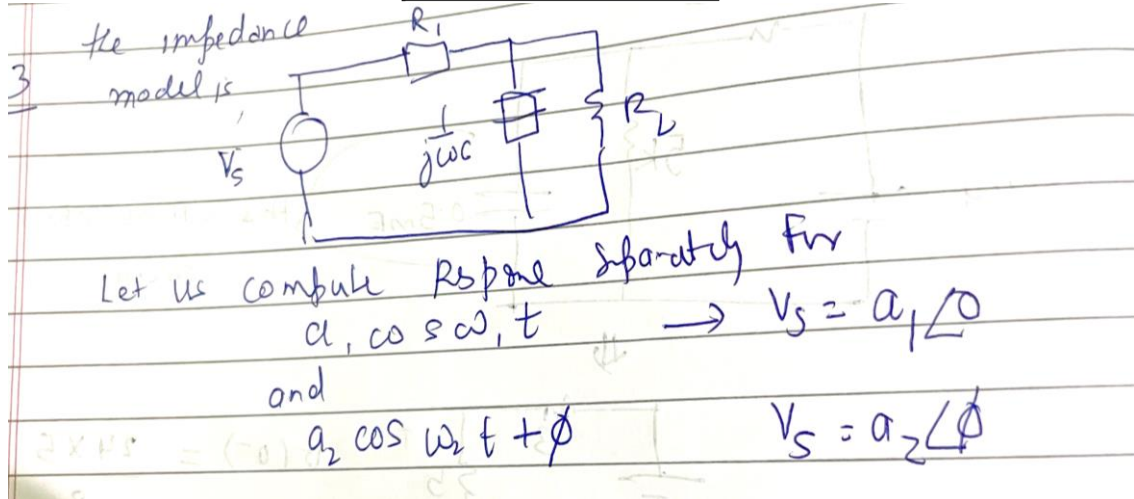
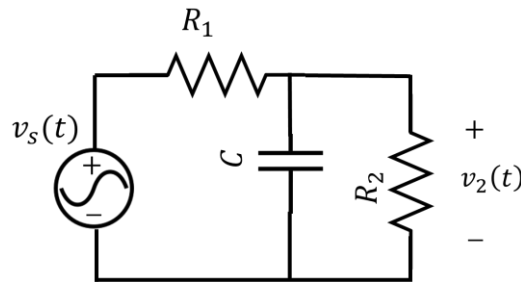
$$\begin{aligned} v(t) &= v(\infty) + [v(0) - v(\infty)]e^{-t/\tau} \\ &= 30 + (15 - 30)e^{-t/2} = (30 - 15e^{-0.5t})\text{ V} \end{aligned}$$

At  $t = 1$ ,

$$v(1) = 30 - 15e^{-0.5} = 20.9\text{ V}$$

**Question 3 (a)** Consider the following circuit. The circuit is fed with input  $v_s(t) = a_1 \cos(\omega_1 t) + a_2 \cos(\omega_2 t + \phi)$ . What will the voltage  $v_2(t)$  across the resistor  $R_2$ ?

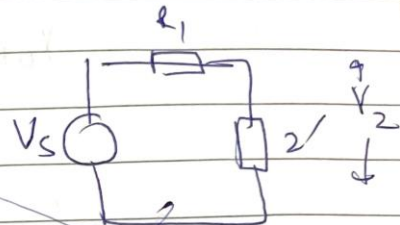
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equivalent impedance for  $\frac{1}{j\omega C} \parallel R_2$  is

$$Z' = \frac{1}{\frac{1}{R_2} + j\omega C}$$

$$= \frac{R_2}{1 + j\omega R_2 C}$$



output across  $R_2$

$$V_2 = V_s \frac{Z'}{Z' + R_1}$$

$$= \frac{V_s R_2 / (1 + j\omega R_2 C)}{\frac{R_2}{1 + j\omega R_2 C} + R_1}$$



$$= \frac{V_s R_2}{R_2 + R_1 + j(R_1 R_2 \omega C)}$$

$$= \frac{V_s R_2}{\sqrt{(R_2 + R_1)^2 + R_1^2 R_2^2 \omega^2 C^2}} \angle \tan^{-1} \left( -\frac{R_1 R_2 \omega C}{R_1 + R_2} \right)$$

Let us call

$$A(\omega) = \frac{R_2}{\sqrt{(R_1 + R_2)^2 + R_1^2 R_2^2 \omega^2 C^2}}$$

$$\theta(\omega) = \tan^{-1} \left( -\frac{R_1 R_2 \omega C}{R_1 + R_2} \right)$$

Hence the output is

$$a_1 \cos \omega_1 t \rightarrow V_s = a_1 \angle 0$$

$$\text{output } V_{o1} = a_1 A(\omega_1) \angle -\theta(\omega_1)$$

$$a_2 \cos(\omega_2 t + \phi) \rightarrow V_s = a_2 \angle \phi$$

$$V_{o2} = a_2 A(\omega_2) \angle -\theta(\omega_2) + \phi$$

output

$$a_1 A(\omega_1) \cos(\omega_1 t - \theta(\omega_1))$$

$$+ a_2 A(\omega_2) \cos(\omega_2 t + \phi - \theta(\omega_2))$$

Numerical value.

$$A(\omega) = \frac{R_2 \times 10^3}{\dots}$$

$$A(\omega) = \frac{R_2/R_1}{\sqrt{\left(1 + \frac{R_2}{R_1}\right)^2 + (R_2 \omega C)^2}}$$

$$\theta(\omega) = \tan^{-1} \frac{R_2 \omega C}{1 + R_2/R_1}$$

(b) Now consider  $R_1 = 1k\Omega$ ,  $R_2 = 2k\Omega$  and  $C = 0.5\mu F$ . Further,  $a_1 = a_2 = 1$ ,  $\omega_1 = 1kHz$ ,  $\omega_2 = 10kHz$ ,  $\phi = 45^\circ$ . Write down the value of  $v_2(t)$  for these parameter values.

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Nominal value

At $\omega_1$	$A(\omega_1) = \frac{R_2 \omega_1 C}{2}$ $= \frac{2 \times 10^3 \times 10^3 \times \frac{1}{2} \times 10^{-6}}{2}$ $= 1$	$\theta(\omega_1) = \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{-1}{3}\right)$ $=$
At $\omega_2$	$R_2 \omega_2 C = 10$ $A(\omega_2) = \frac{2}{\sqrt{9+100}}$ $= \frac{2}{\sqrt{109}}$	$\theta(\omega_2) = \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{-10}{3}\right)$

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output

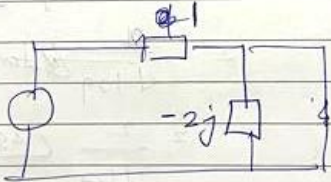
$$v_2(t) = \frac{2}{\sqrt{10}} \cos(\omega_1 t - \tan^{-1}(\frac{1}{3})) + \frac{2}{\sqrt{109}} \cos(\omega_2 t + 45^\circ - \tan^{-1}(\frac{10}{3}))$$

↑ this is  $73^\circ$

If the time domain signal is not given, significant marks will be deducted.

Approach-2

At  $\omega_1$



$$V_2 = \frac{1 \times -2j / 1j}{1 + \frac{-2j}{1j}}$$

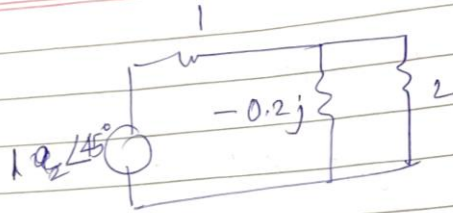
$$Z' = \frac{2 \parallel -2j}{1 + j}$$

$$Z' = \frac{-2j}{1+j}$$

$$= \frac{-2j}{1-j-2j} = \frac{-2j}{1-3j} \times \frac{j}{j} = \frac{2}{1+3j}$$

$$= \frac{2}{\sqrt{1+9}} \angle -\tan^{-1} \frac{3}{1} = \frac{2}{\sqrt{10}} \angle -15^\circ$$

At  $\omega_2 =$



$$V_{o2} = 1 \angle 45^\circ$$

$$\frac{0.2 / (j + 0.1)}{1 + \frac{0.2}{j + 0.1}}$$

$$2' = -2 \times 0.2j$$

$$2 - 0.2j$$

$$= -0.2j$$

$$1 - 0.1j$$

$$= \frac{0.2}{j + 0.1}$$

$$= 1 \angle 45^\circ \frac{0.2}{j + 0.1}$$

$$= 1 \angle 45^\circ \frac{2}{10j + 3}$$

$$= \frac{2}{\sqrt{109}} \angle 45^\circ - \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{10}{3}\right)$$

$$= \frac{2}{\sqrt{109}} \angle 45^\circ - 28^\circ = \frac{2}{\sqrt{109}} \angle 17^\circ$$

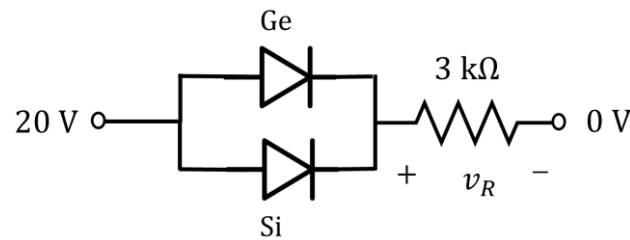
$$V_o = \frac{2}{\sqrt{10}} \cos(10^3 t - 15^\circ)$$

$$+ \frac{2}{\sqrt{109}} \cos(10^4 t + 17^\circ)$$



**Question 4** Consider the following circuit consisting of two diodes, made of different semiconductor material (Si and Ge respectively). The Si diode has 0.7V cut-in voltage ( $V_{\gamma}$ ) and 0 resistance while the Ge diode has 0.3V cut-in voltage and 0 resistance. Find the voltage  $v_R$  across the resistor. Compute the current through each diode.

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It appears that when the applied voltage is switched on, both the diodes will turn “on”. But that is not so. When voltage is applied, germanium diode ( $V_0 = 0.3\text{ V}$ ) will turn on first and a level of 0.3V is maintained across the parallel circuit.

The silicon diode never gets the opportunity to have 0.7 V across it and, therefore, remains in open circuit

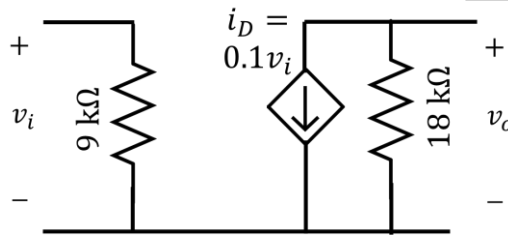
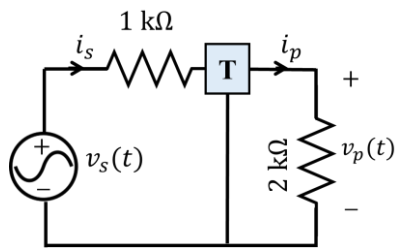
$$v_R = 20 - 0.3 = 19.7\text{V}$$

$$i_{Ge} = \frac{v_R}{R} = \frac{19.7}{3000} = 6.566\text{ mA}$$

$$i_{Si} = 0\text{ mA}$$

**Question 5 (a)** Determine the voltage gain  $v_p/v_s$  and current gain  $i_p/i_s$  of the circuit shown below on the left. The model for device T is shown below on the right.

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**Solution:**

$$v_i = \frac{v_s \cdot 9}{9 + 18} = \frac{v_s}{3}$$

$$v_p = -0.1 v_i \times (18 || 2) \times 10^3$$

$$= -0.1 \times \frac{v_s}{3} \times 1.8 \times 10^3$$

$$= -162 v_s$$

$$\frac{v_p}{v_s} = -162$$

$$i_s = \frac{v_s}{10k}$$

$$i = \frac{162 v_s}{2k}$$

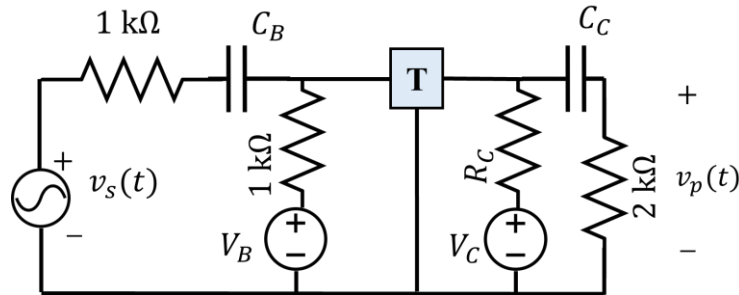
$$i_p = -162 i_s = -810 i_s$$

$$\frac{i_p}{i_s} = -810$$

(b) Suppose the model of T is changed. Now the current  $i_D$  is given as

$$i_D = \begin{cases} 0.1(v_i - 1) & \text{if } v_i > 1V, v_o > 1 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Can the following circuit provide necessary bias for the device to operate and provide the  $\frac{v_p}{v_s} = 50$  amplification gain to a small signal  $v_s$  of frequency  $1kHz$  and peak-to-peak voltage  $0.01V$ ?. If yes, compute the values of  $C_B, C_C, V_C, R_C, V_B$ .



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**Solution:** CB/CC are selected such that are short circuit at  $\omega = 1kHz$

$$\frac{1}{\omega C} \gg R \sim 1k\Omega \Rightarrow C \gg \frac{1}{\omega \times 1k\Omega} = 1\mu F \Rightarrow C = 20\mu F \text{ should be sufficient}$$

DC Component

$$\frac{(v_B \pm v_s') \cdot 9}{10} > 1$$

$$v_B \pm v_s' > \frac{10}{9}$$

$$v_B \geq \frac{10}{9} + v_s' \quad \checkmark$$

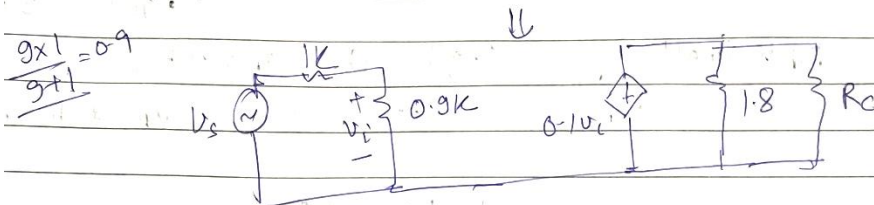
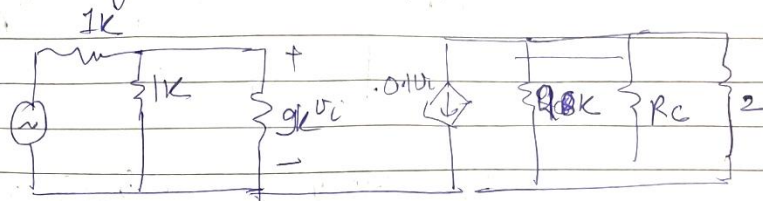
$v_s'$  is the total voltage after ac addition

$$v_{B0} = \frac{10}{9} + v_s'$$

$$\geq \frac{10}{9} + \frac{0.01}{1.9} \times 0.01 = 1.11584$$

$$\approx 1.116 \approx 1.12V$$

Now do ac analysis



~~v\_s~~

① feedback in  $v_i$  due to  $v_s$  is

$$v_s' = \frac{0.9}{1.9} v_s \quad (\text{will be used in DC analysis})$$

② gain  $0.1 v_i (1.8 \parallel R_C) / v_s$

$$= 0.1 (1.8 \parallel R_C) \frac{1.9}{1.9} v_s / v_s$$

$$= 0.1 \times \frac{1.9}{1.9} (1.8 \parallel R_C) = 162.50$$

$$1.8 \parallel R_C = \frac{50}{9 \times 1.1}$$

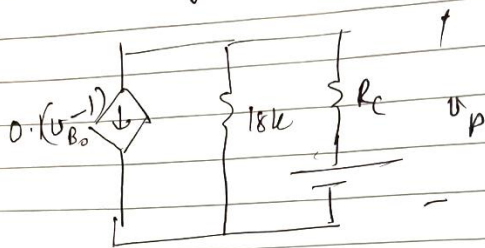
$$= 3.420 \quad 1.055k$$

$$1.8 \parallel R_C = \frac{1.8 R_C}{R_C + 1.8} = 1.055$$

$$1.8 R_C = 1.055 R_C + 1.8 \times 1.055$$

$$R_C = \frac{1.8 \times 1.055}{0.745} = 2.54k$$

Now do DC analysis at output



$$V_{B0} = 1.12 \text{ V}$$

$$0.1(V_{B0} - 1) = 0.012 \text{ A}$$

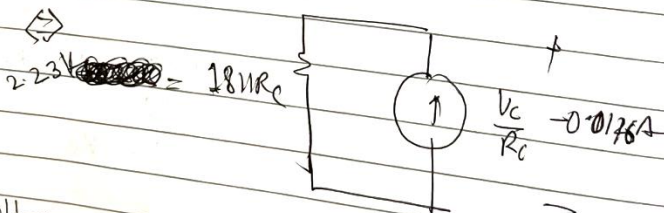
$$0.1 \times 1.12 = 0.0112 \text{ A}$$

Exptl Small signal change in output Voltage

$$\Delta V_P = 0.1 \times 50 = 0.5 \text{ V up and down}$$

$$\text{Hence } V_P > 1 + 0.5 = 1.5 \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

Using norton equivalent



Voltage is

$$V_P = \left( \frac{V_C}{R_C} - 0.0116 \right) \times 2.23 \text{ k}$$

$$\left( \frac{V_C}{R_C} - 0.0116 \right) \times 2.23 \text{ k} = 1.5$$

$$0.67 \times 10^{-3}$$

$$\frac{V_C}{2.54 \text{ k}} - 0.0116 = \frac{1.5}{2.23 \text{ k}} = 0.67 \times 10^{-3}$$

$$\frac{V_C}{2.54 \text{ k}} = 0.0116 + 0.00067 = 0.01227$$

$$V_C = 0.013 \times 2.54 \text{ k}$$

$$= 3.30 \text{ V}$$

$$= 3.116 \text{ V}$$