Trans-resistance Feedback Circuits

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For the feedback transresistance amplifier in 1.1), use small-signal analysis to find the open-loop gain 'G', Feedback factor 'H' and Closed-loop gain 'T'. Let $R_F >> R_L$ and $r_o >> R_L$. Find the value of T for $R_L = 10K\Omega$, $R_F = 100K\Omega$ and the transistor current gain $\beta = 100$.

1. Draw the equivalent control system for the feedback Transresistance amplifier shown in 1.1

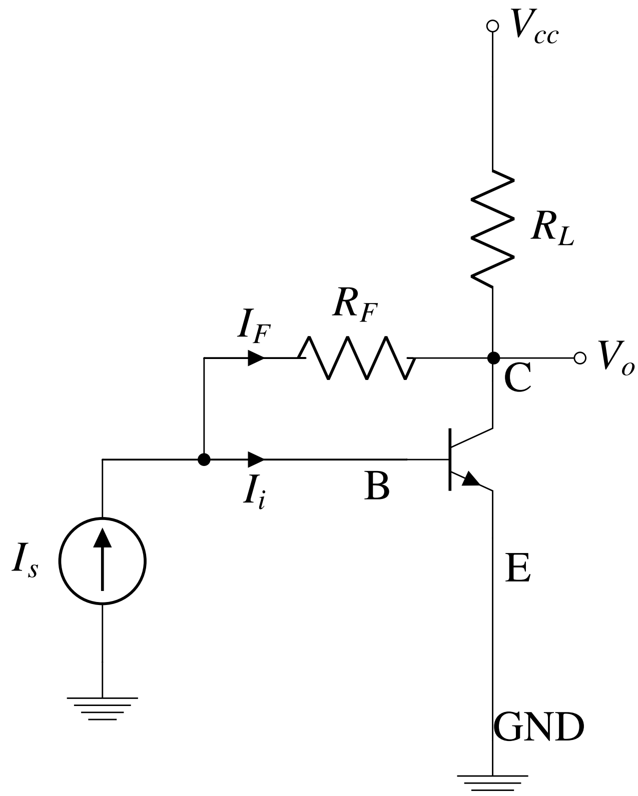

Fig. 1.1

Solution: see Fig. 1.2

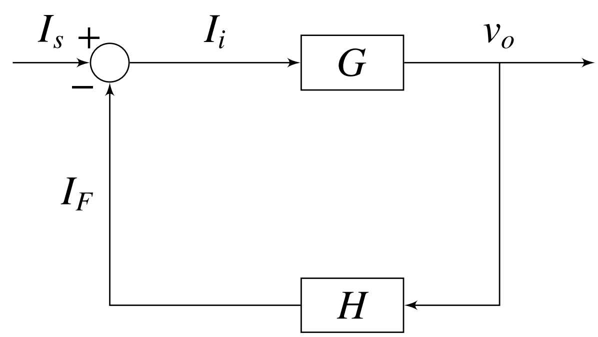

Fig. 1.2

2. For the feedback Transresistance amplifier shown in 1.1, Draw its small signal model. Early effect in Transistor is neglected.

Solution: see Fig. 2
While drawing a Small-Signal Model, we ground all constant voltage sources and open all constant current sources. All Small-Signal paramters are obtained from DC-Analysis of the circuit. Neglecting Early effect, in SmallSignal Analysis a npn-Transistor is modelled as a Current Source with value of current equal to $g_m V_{be}$ flowing from Collextor to Emitter. Whereas a pnp-Transistor is modelled as a Current Source with value of current equal to $g_m V_{be}$ flowing from Emitter to Collector.

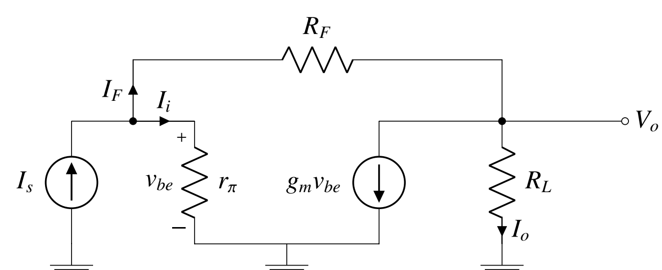

Fig. 2: Small Signal Model

3. Find small signal parameters g_m and v_{be} using DC analysis
Solution: small signal parameters of bjt are given in (3.1) and (3.2)

$$g_m = \frac{I_C}{V_T} \tag{3.1}$$

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$$r_\pi = \frac{V_T}{I_B} \tag{3.2}$$

The Large signal model of circuit becomes as shown in figure 3

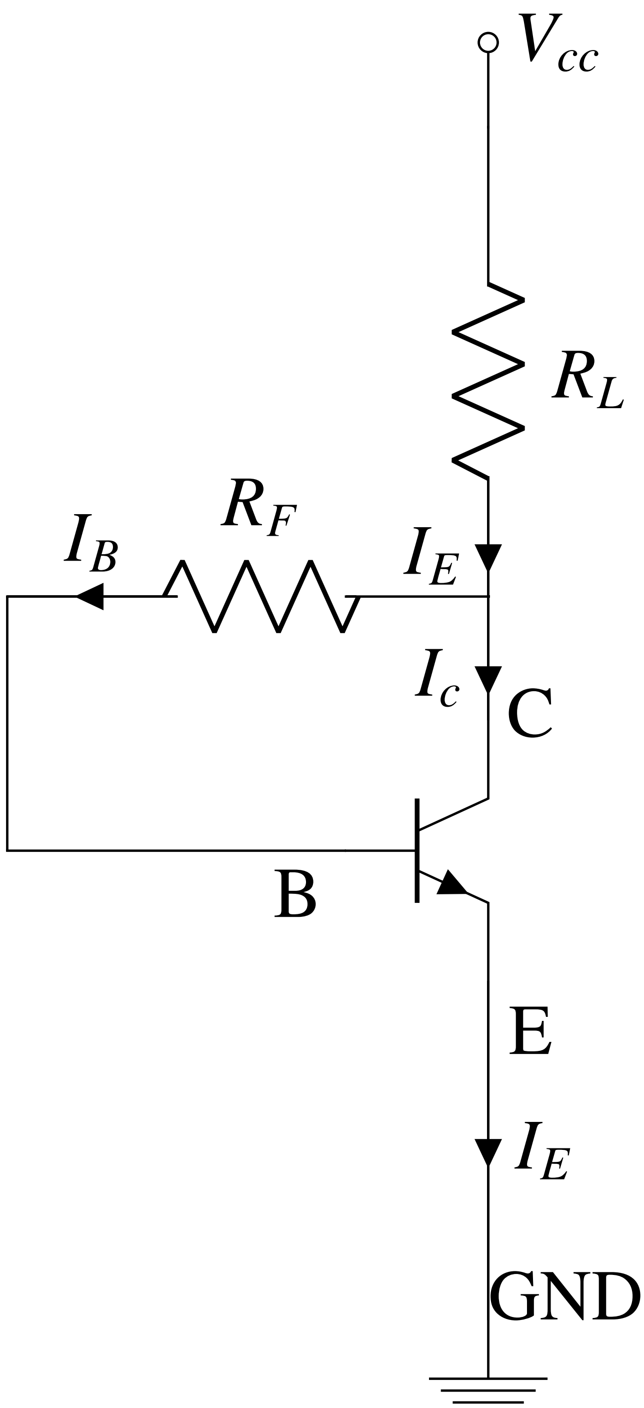

Fig. 3: Large signal model

Where $V_T = 25m$volts

$$V_{BE} = 0.7volts \implies V_B = 0.7volts \tag{3.3}$$

$$I_E = I_B + I_C \tag{3.4}$$

$$I_C = \beta I_B \tag{3.5}$$

From applying KVL and KCL on Fig.

$$V_{cc} - I_E R_L - I_B R_F - 0.7 = 0 \tag{3.6}$$

$$\implies V_{cc} - (\beta + 1) I_B R_L - I_B R_F - 0.7 = 0 \tag{3.7}$$

$$I_B = \frac{V_{cc} - 0.7}{(\beta + 1) R_L + R_F} \tag{3.8}$$

$$I_C = \beta \frac{V_{cc} - 0.7}{(\beta + 1) R_L + R_F} \tag{3.9}$$

from (3.1), (3.2),I_B and I_C

$$g_m = \frac{\beta}{V_T} \frac{V_{cc} - 0.7}{(\beta + 1) R_L + R_F} \tag{3.10}$$

$$r_\pi = V_T \frac{(\beta + 1) R_L + R_F}{V_{cc} - 0.7} \tag{3.11}$$

4. Write all node/loop equations of Small-Signal model using KCL/KVL.Given that $R_F >> R_L$
Solution:

$$v_{be} = I_i r_\pi \tag{4.1}$$

$$v_{be} - I_F R_F = V_o \tag{4.2}$$

$$V_o = (I_F - g_m v_{be}) R_L \tag{4.3}$$

5. Find the expression for feedback factor H.
Solution:

$$H = \frac{I_F}{V_o} \tag{5.1}$$

substituting (4.2) in (4.3)

$$V_o = (I_F - g_m V_o - g_m I_F R_F) R_L \tag{5.2}$$

$$\implies (1 + g_m R_L) V_o = I_F (R_L - g_m R_F R_L) \tag{5.3}$$

$$H = \frac{I_F}{V_o} = \frac{1 + g_m R_L}{R_L (1 - g_m R_F)} \tag{5.4}$$

$$\implies H \approx -\frac{1}{R_F} \tag{5.5}$$

6. Find the expression for Open loop Gain G.

Solution:

$$G = \frac{V_o}{I_i} \tag{6.1}$$

Substituting (4.1) in (4.2) and subistituting I_F from (5.4)

$$I_i r_\pi - \left(\frac{1 + g_m R_L}{R_L\left(1 - 1 + g_m R_F\right)}\right) R_F V_o = V_o \tag{6.2}$$

$$\implies G = \frac{V_o}{I_i} = \frac{r_\pi R_L\left(1 - g_m R_F\right)}{R_F + R_L} \tag{6.3}$$

Upon approximating since $R_F >> R_L$

$$G = -g_m r_\pi R_L \tag{6.4}$$

7. Find the expression for Closed Loop Gain $T = \frac{V_o}{I_s}$ We know that Closed Loop Gain

$$T = \frac{G}{1 + GH} \tag{7.1}$$

Substituting expressions from (5.5) and (6.3)

$$T = -\frac{g_m r_\pi R_L}{1 + \left(\frac{g_m r_\pi R_L}{R_F}\right)} \tag{7.2}$$

8. For the parameters given in table 8 . Find G,H and T. **Solution:** Substituting the parameters in

Parameters	**Value**
V_{cc}	5V
I_s	1μ
R_F	$100K\Omega$
R_L	$10K\Omega$
β	100

TABLE 8

(3.10) and (3.11) gives,

$$r_\pi = 6.6667 \times 10^3 \Omega \tag{8.1}$$

$$g_m = 0.015S \tag{8.2}$$

Substituting g_m, r_π obtained in (5.5)

$$H = -10^{-5} \tag{8.3}$$

Substituting g_m, r_π obtained in (6.4)

$$G = -10^6 \tag{8.4}$$

Substituting g_m, r_π obtained in (7.2)

$$T = -90909.09 \tag{8.5}$$

9. Draw the block diagram and circuit diagram for H.
Solution: see figs 9.5 and 9.6

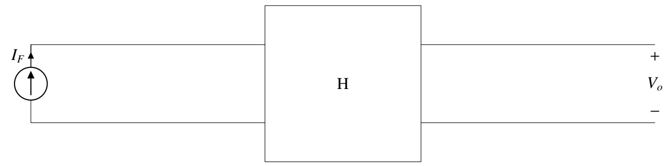

Fig. 9.5: Feedback block diagram

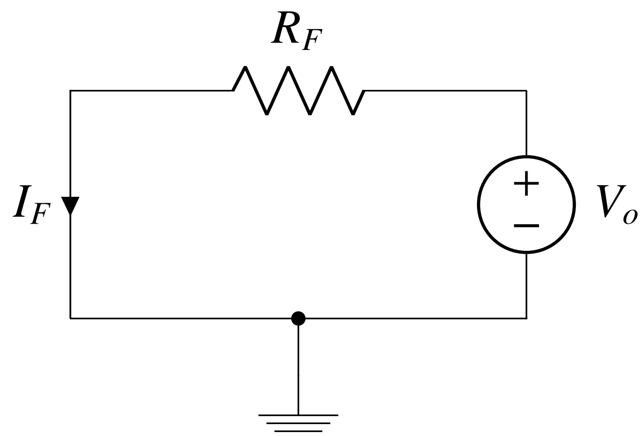

Fig. 9.6: Feedback circuit

From KVl on 9.6 we can see that

$$H = \frac{I_F}{V_o} = -\frac{1}{R_F} \tag{9.1}$$

10. Find the input and output resistances of the feedback network.
Solution: From the feedback amplifier circuit fig.9.6 To find the input resistance R_{11} short the output node V_o to ground.

$$R_{11} = R_F \tag{10.1}$$

To find the output resistance R_{22} rempve the current source and short input terminals.

$$R_{22} = R_F \tag{10.2}$$

11. Draw the block diagram and circuit diagram for G.
Solution: see figs 11.7 and 11.8
12. Find G
Solution: From fig.11.8,

$$V_{be} = I_i r_\pi \tag{12.1}$$

From KCL at node V_o,

$$I_o = -g_m I_i r_\pi \tag{12.2}$$

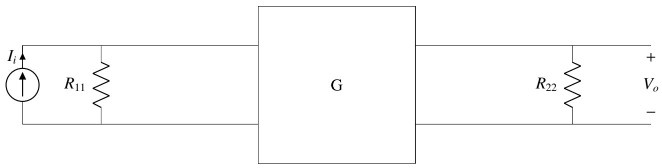

Fig. 11.7: Open loop block diagram

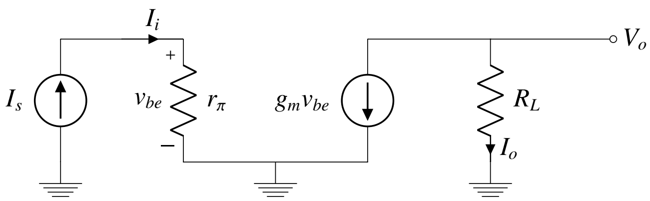

Fig. 11.8: Open loop block circuit diagram

$$V_o = -g_m I_i r_\pi R_L \tag{12.3}$$

Therefore,

$$G = \frac{V_o}{I_i} = -g_m r_\pi R_L \tag{12.4}$$

13. Simulate the circuit using ngspice
Solution: The following file gives instructions on how to simulate the circuit.

codes/ee18btech11046/spice/README

The following netlist simulates the feedback amplifier using parameters in table 8.

codes/ee18btech11046/spice/ ee18btech11046_bjt.net

The Output Voltage obtained from spice is plotted in fig.13.9

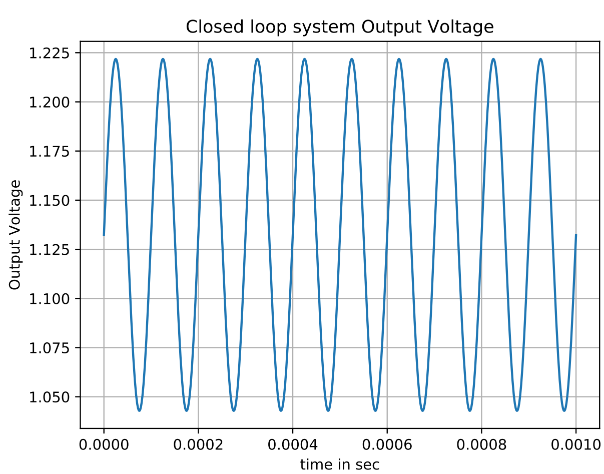

Fig. 13.9: Output Voltage

codes/ee18btech11046/spice/ee18btech11046.py

We can observe that V_o is sum of sine wave amplified by a factor of 89500 for small signal input and large signal output V_C which is close to the calculated values.