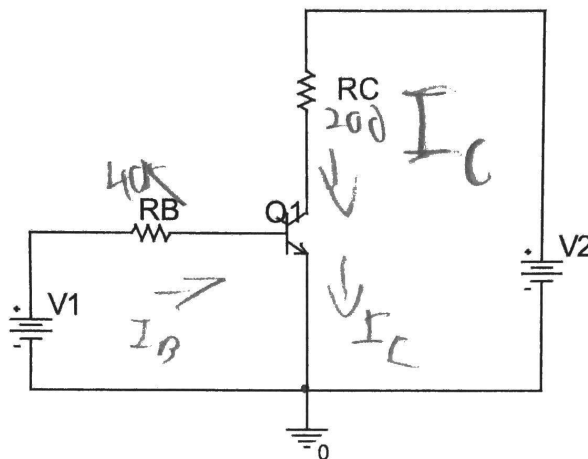


Homework 15

Reading: 6.1-4 (BJT discussion)

In all problems, you may assume that $V_{CEsat} \sim 0.2V$ ($V_{BE} \sim 0.7V$, $V_{BC} \sim 0.5V$) when the transistor is in the saturation region and that $V_{BE} \sim 0.7V$ when the transistor is on.

Problem 1) Simple DC biasing

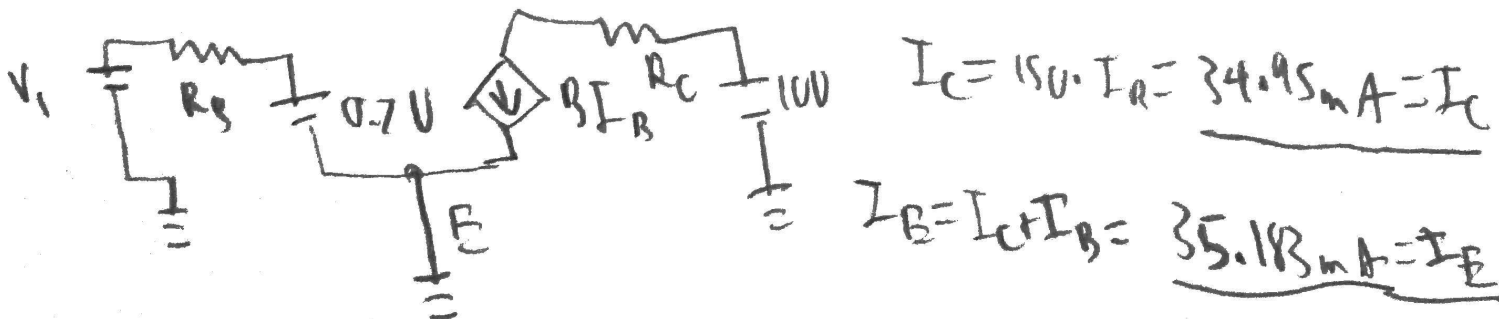


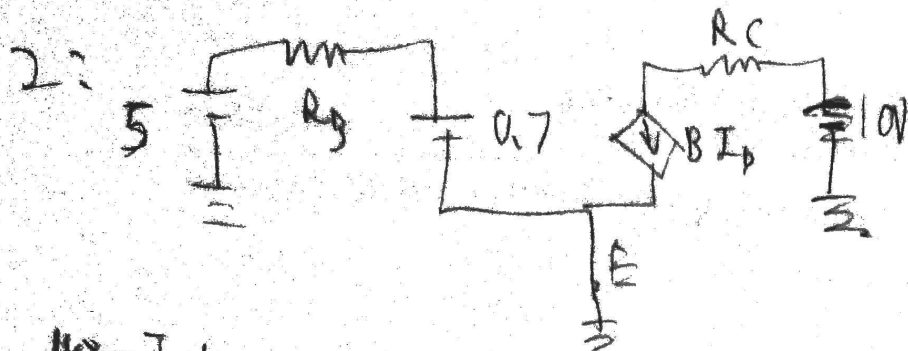
In the above circuit, the forward active region has a common emitter current gain term, $\beta = 150$.

1) For $R_B = 40k\Omega$ and $R_C = 200\Omega$, determine the three bias currents, I_B , I_C and I_E for the following sources. For each case, draw the equivalent DC circuit (replacing the BJT with the equivalent circuit model for the region of operation).

1. $V_1 = 10V$, $V_2 = 10V$
2. $V_1 = 5V$, $V_2 = 10V$
3. $V_1 = 10V$, $V_2 = 5V$

12 $V_1 = 10V = V_{BE} + I_B \cdot R_B = 0.7V + 40(10^3) I_B \Rightarrow I_B = 0.233mA$





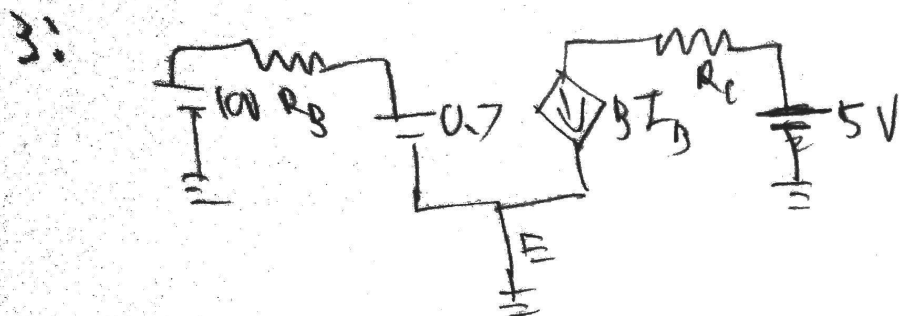
$$4.3 = I_B R_B = 40k I_B$$

$$I_B = 0.1075 \text{ mA}$$

$$10V = I_C R_C + V_{CE} = 200 \cdot 150 \cdot I_B + V_{CE}$$

$$I_C = 16.125 \text{ mA}$$

$$I_E = I_C + I_B = 16.233 \text{ mA}$$



$$9.3 = I_B R_B = 40k I_B$$

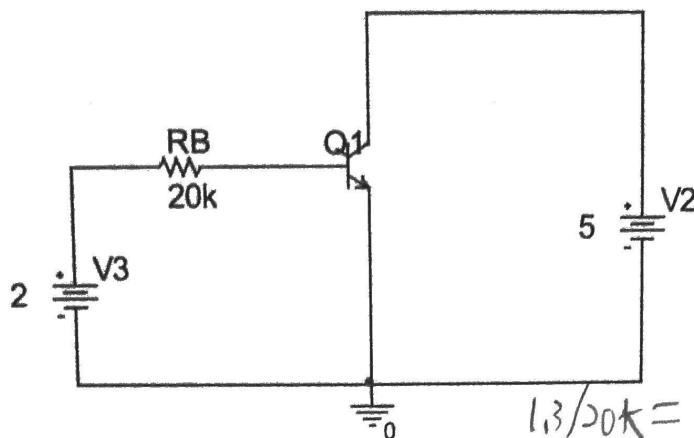
$$I_B = 0.233 \text{ mA}$$

$$5V = I_C R_C + V_{CE} = 200 \cdot 150 I_B + V_{CE}$$

$$I_C = 34.95 \text{ mA}$$

$$I_E = 35.18 \text{ mA}$$

Problem 2) Emitter resistor effects



$$1.3/20k = 6.5 \times 10^{-5} = I_B$$

$$I_C = 6.5 \text{ mA}$$

1) Determine the collector current when $\beta = 100$.

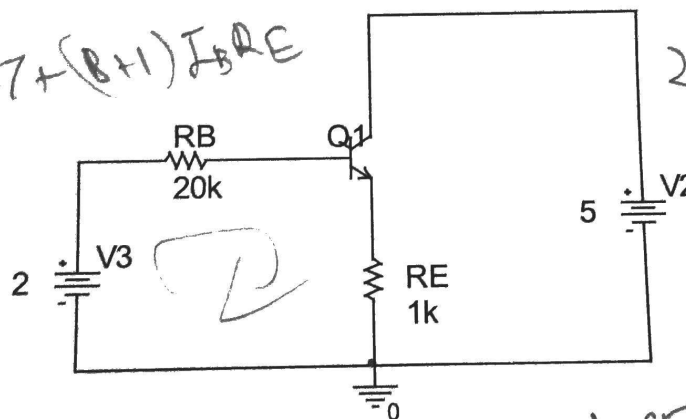
2) Determine the collector current when $\beta = 200$.

$$\rightarrow I_C = 13 \text{ mA}$$

$$2 = 20k I_B + 0.7 + (1 + \beta) I_B R_E$$

$$I_B = 0.0107 \text{ mA}$$

$$I_C = 1.07 \text{ mA}$$



$$2 = 20k I_B + 0.7 + 1k \cdot I_E$$

$$I_B = 0.058 \text{ mA}$$

$$I_C = 11.76 \text{ mA}$$

3) Determine the collector current when $\beta = 100$. $I_C = 1.07 \text{ mA}$

4) Determine the collector current when $\beta = 200$. $I_C = 11.76 \text{ mA}$

5) In terms of the DC biasing of the collector current, what is one advantage of adding an emitter resistor to the circuit when our transistor characteristics (forward active current gain for example) have a large variation in values?

Series resistance limit currents to the rest of the circuit.

Problem 3) Saturation – Forward Active transitions

In the following circuits, the forward active region has a common emitter current gain term, $\beta=100$.

$I_C = 7.041 \text{ mA}$
 $V_{CE} = V_{CC} - I_C R_3 - I_E R_4$
 $12 - (7 \text{ mA})(400) - (7 \text{ mA} + 70 \mu\text{A})(200)$
 $= 7.76 \text{ V} > 0.2 \text{ V}$
Forward active Satisfied

$V_B = \frac{12(40)}{120} = 4 \text{ V}$
 $R_{TH} = R_1 || R_2 = 26.67 \text{ k}$
 $V_B = V_{R_{TH}} + 0.7 + (\beta + 1) I_B R_4$
 $\frac{3.3}{R_{TH} + (101)(200)} = 7.041 \times 10^{-5} \text{ A}$

- a) Verify that the transistor is in the Forward Active region of operation for the above circuit.

$V_{CE} = V_{CC} - I_C R_3 - I_E R_4$
 $= 12 - 4.94 - 0.980$
 $= 9.08 \text{ V} > 0.2 \text{ V}$
Forward active Satisfied

as seen by V_B
 $R_{TH} = R_1 || R_2 + R_5 = 41666.67$
 $V_{TH} = \frac{12(40)}{120} = 4 \text{ V}$
 $I_B = \frac{3.3}{R_{TH} + (\beta + 1) R_4} = 4.85 \times 10^{-5}$
 $I_C = \beta I_B = 4.85 \text{ mA}$
 $I_E = (\beta + 1) I_B = 4.9 \text{ mA}$

- a) Verify that the transistor is in the Forward Active region of operation for the above circuit. (Hint: Think of how you would apply Thevenin in this circuit.)