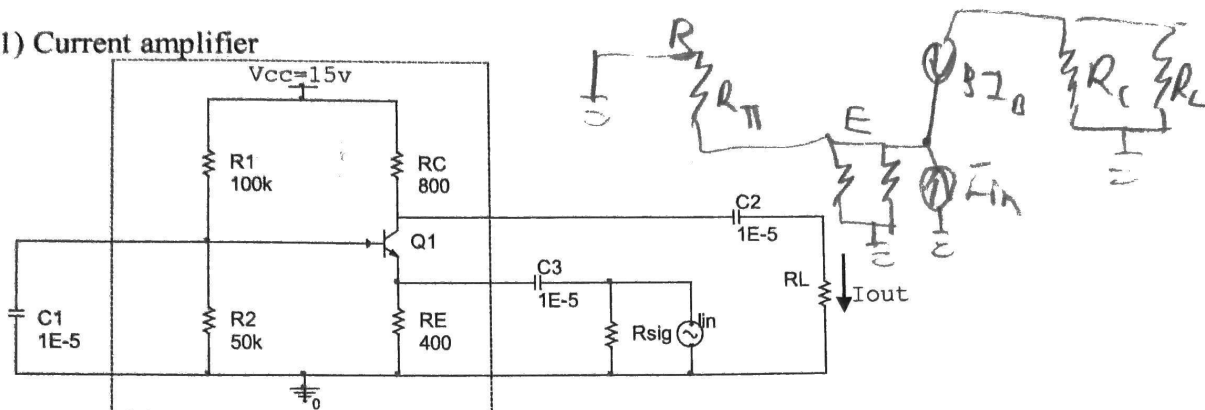


Homework 18

In all BJT problems, you may assume that $V_{CEsat} \sim 0.2V$, $V_{BE} \sim 0.7V$ and $r_o \rightarrow \infty$ when the transistor is in the forward active region. Also, the thermal voltage is $V_{th} = 26mV$.

Problem 1) Current amplifier



Same DC bias circuit as problem 1 in HW16.

- Determine the input resistance 'seen by' the current source, I_{in} .
- Determine the output resistance 'seen by' the current load.
- Determine the short circuit current gain, A_{Io} , when $R_{sig} \rightarrow \infty$ and $R_L \rightarrow 0$.
- Based on your above answer, what familiar name can you call this amplifier?

A: $R_{in} = R_E \parallel R_C = 4.37 \Omega$

D: Inverting amplifier
Current inverter

B: $R_{out} = r_c = 800 \Omega$

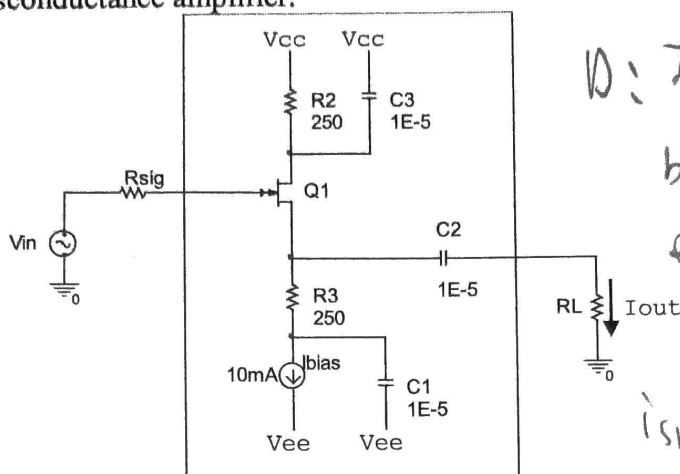
C: $I_{in}(R_E) - I_E R_E - I_B R_{pi} = 0$

$$400 I_{in} - (19.400) I_B - 0.026 = 0$$

$$I_{in} = \frac{2.38}{400} = 5.953 mA$$

$$\frac{I_{out}}{I_{in}} = \frac{5.95 \times 10^{-3}}{5.83 \times 10^{-3}} = -1.021$$

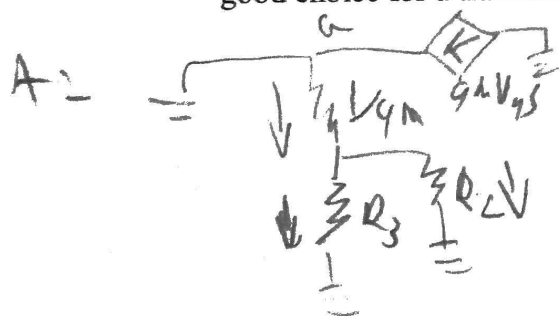
Problem 2) Transconductance amplifier.



D: It's not a good choice because the gain is entirely dependent on DC bias which isn't a good idea.

The NMOSFET in the above circuit has characteristics $V_{TN} = 2.2V$, and $K_n = 40 \text{ mA/V}^2$. The gain is also small.

- Determine the input resistance 'seen by' the voltage source, V_{in} .
- Determine the output resistance 'seen by' the current load.
- Determine the short circuit transconductance gain, A_{Go} , when $R_{sig} \rightarrow 0$ and $R_L \rightarrow 0$.
- Based on your above answers, why is the common collector configuration not a good choice for a transconductance amplifier.

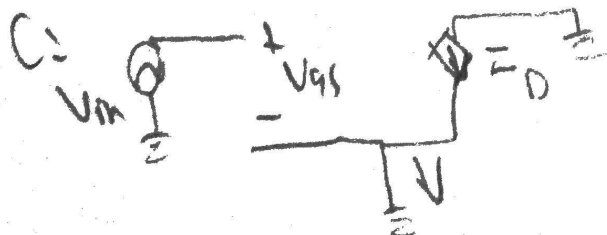


$$R_{in} = \frac{1}{g_m} + R_3 \parallel R_L$$

$$g_m = 0.0283 \quad R_{in} = 35.4$$



$$R_{out} = R_3 \parallel \frac{1}{g_m} = 31.01$$

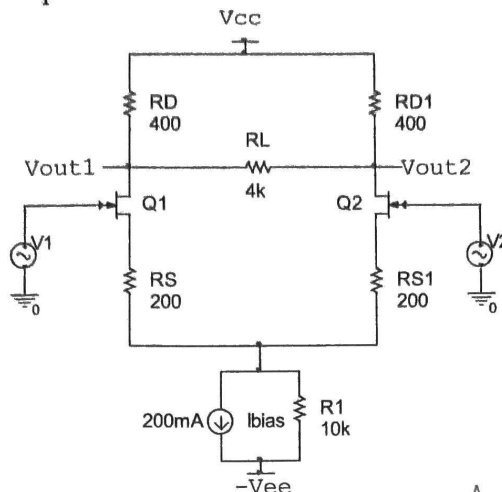


$$i_{out} = I_D = I_S$$

$$V_{in} = V_{gs}$$

$$\frac{I_D}{I_S} = g_m = A_{Go} = 0.0283$$

Problem 3) Differential Amplifier



$$D: V_{out} = I_D \cdot R_D = 1 \cdot 400 = 400$$

$$V_1 = V_{gs} + I_S (R_S + 20k) = V_{gs} + 2020$$

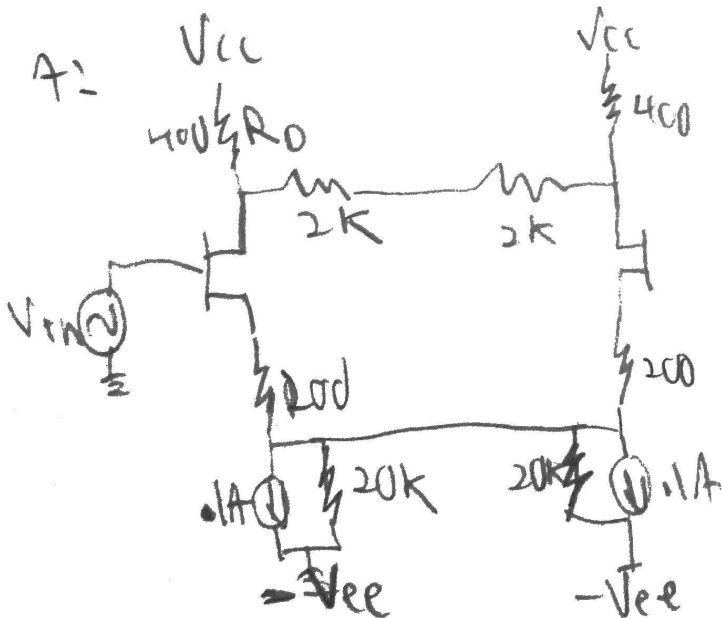
$$g_m V_{gs} = I_D = I_S = 1$$

$$V_{gs} = 0.707; V_1 = 2020.707$$

$$A_{cmhc} = \frac{V_{out}}{V_1} = 0.198$$

In the above circuit, $K_n = 0.1 \text{ A/V}^2$,

- Redraw the above circuit symmetrically, such that the 'left' and the 'right' sides are mirror images of each other.
- Determine the small signal transconductance, g_m , for the transistors.
- Using superposition and the symmetric characteristics for common mode inputs ($V_1 = V_2$), draw the small signal half circuit.
- Determine the half circuit common mode gain, A_{cmhc} .



$$B: g_m = \sqrt{2k_n I_D} = 0.1414$$

