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### Diode:

 Forward current:  $I_D \approx I_S (e^{V_D/nV_T})$ 

 Small signal resistance:  $r_d = \frac{nV_T}{I_D}$ 
 $V_T = \frac{kT}{q} = 25mV$  at room temperature

### Bipolar Transistor:

 Active mode operation:  $V_{BE} = 0.7V$ 

 Saturation mode operation:  $V_{CEsat} = 0.2V$ 
 $i_C = \beta i_B$      $i_C = \alpha i_E$      $i_E = i_B + i_C$ 
 $g_m = \frac{I_C}{V_T}$      $r_\pi = \frac{\beta}{g_m}$      $r_o = \frac{V_A}{I_C}$ 
 $r_e = \frac{\alpha}{g_m} = \frac{r_\pi}{\beta + 1}$      $\alpha = \frac{\beta}{\beta + 1}$ 

### Operational Amplifier:

 $V_o = A(V_+ - V_-)$ ;  $R_i = \infty$ ;  $R_o = 0$ 

### MOSFET:

 $I_{DS} = k' \frac{W}{L} \left[ (V_{GS} - V_t) V_{DS} - \frac{V_{DS}^2}{2} \right]$ ;

 $I_{DS,sat} = k' \frac{W}{L} \frac{(V_{GS} - V_t)^2}{2} (1 + \lambda V_{DS})$ ;

 $k' = \mu C_{ox}$ ;     $K = k' \frac{W}{L}$ 
 $V_{DS,sat} = V_{GS} - V_t$        $g_{mb} = \lambda g_m$ 
 $g_m = k' \frac{W}{L} (V_{GS} - V_t) = \sqrt{2k' \frac{W}{L} I_{DS}}$ 
 $r_{DS,triode} = \left[ k' \frac{W}{L} (V_{GS} - V_t) \right]^{-1}$ ;  $r_o = \frac{V_A}{I_D}$

Q1: Answer the following by filling in the corresponding circles with your selection a, b, c or d

(10 marks).

i) Assuming all diodes have a forward bias turn on voltage of 0.7V which statement best describes how the circuit in Fig. 1.1 operates?

**Technical explanation:**

For the sake of simplicity, in this answer LEDs are treated as the same way with non-ideal diodes as  $D_1$ .

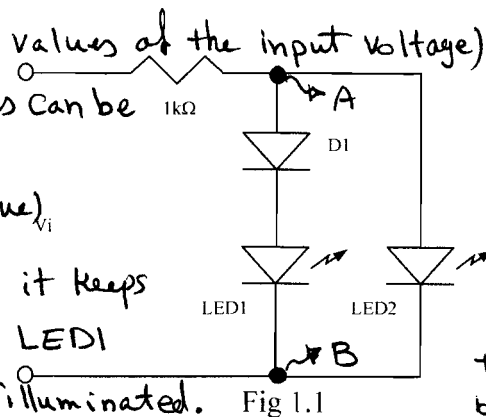
However, one should note that, this is not a practical assumption. Then, any ~~any~~ conclusion based on this assumption may not be always verified in all practical examples.

- a) LED1 is illuminated when  $V_i$  is -5V
- b) LED2 is illuminated when  $V_i$  is -5V
- c) Both LED1 and LED2 are illuminated when  $V_i$  is 5V
- d) LED2 is illuminated when  $V_i$  is 5V

1) Only for  $V_i > 0.7$  (positive values of the input voltage) diodes in either branches can be in Forward bias.

(So, (a) & (b) can not be true)

2) As soon as LED2 turns ON it keeps  $V_{AB} = 0.7V$ . This prevents LED1 (in series with  $D_1$ ) to be illuminated.



ii) Which one of the following statements best describes a forward biased silicon diode?

- a) The current through the diode is exponentially related to the diode voltage
- b) The voltage across the diode is 0 volts
- c) The current through the diode is of the form  $kV_D^2$  where k is a constant and  $V_D$  is the diode voltage
- d) The current through the diode is 0 amps

NOTE:  $I_D = I_S (e^{V_D/nV_T} - 1) \approx I_S e^{V_D/nV_T}$

iii) A npn BJT has  $I_B = 1\mu A$  and  $\beta = 100$ . Which of the following statements is true?

- a)  $I_C = 100\mu A$ ,  $V_{CE} = 0.01V$ , the device is operating in active mode
- b)  $I_C = 10\mu A$ ,  $V_{CE} = 1V$ , the device is operating in saturation mode
- c)  $I_C = 1000\mu A$ ,  $V_{CE} = 0.01V$ , the device is operating in saturation mode
- d)  $I_C = 100\mu A$ ,  $V_{CE} = 1V$ , the device is operating in active mode

$I_C = \beta I_B = 100 \times 1\mu A = 100\mu A$

A typical value for  $V_{BE}$  in "active mode operation"

is  $V_{BE} = 0.7V$  (which is close to 1 (ONE) here)

iv) Which of the following best describes how we can increase the small signal voltage gain of a standard BJT common emitter amplifier?

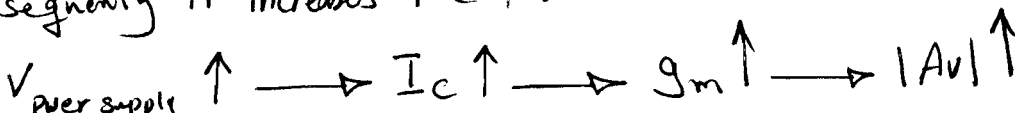
- a) increase the power supply voltage
- b) decrease the transistor output resistance
- c) increase the collector resistance
- d) decrease the transistor  $\beta$

considering:  $|A_v| \approx g_m R_c$   
 $R_c$  increases  $\rightarrow |A_v|$  increases  
 (provide  $I_C$  is kept constant).

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Also, if the power supply voltage increases it causes,  $I_C$  may increase.

Since  $g_m = \frac{I_C}{V_T}$ ; any increase in  $I_C$  would result  $g_m$  to increase & consequently it increases the  $A_v$ .



v) What is the value of  $V_C$  for the circuit in Fig. 1.2

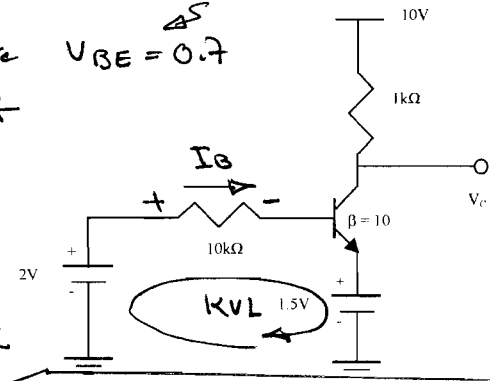
KVL at B-E Loop:

$$-2 + 10k I_B + V_{BE} + 1.5 = 0, \text{ where } V_{BE} = 0.7$$

$$I_B = \frac{2 - 1.5 - 0.7}{10k} = \frac{-0.2}{10k} < 0 *$$

Typical value in active mode operation

$$V_{BE} = 0.7$$



\* Negative value for  $I_B$  from above calculation means that BJT in this circuit can NOT be ON.  $T_r: OFF \Rightarrow I_C = 0 \ \& \ V_C = 10V - 1k\Omega \times I_C$

Hand waving; Since a 2V source is NOT enough to provide  $V_{BE} = 0.7$  Volts, when  $V_E$  is directly connected to a 1.5V source.

So,  $T_r: off \Rightarrow V_C = 10V$

Fig. 1.2

vi) Which of the following is NOT a characteristic of an ideal operational amplifier?

- (b) a) infinite input impedance  
 b) zero common-mode rejection  
 c) zero output resistance  
 d) infinite open-loop gain

vii) Which is the best description of the circuit in figure 1.3?

- (d) a) unity gain amplifier  
 b) a buffer  
 c) an integrator  
 d) a differentiator

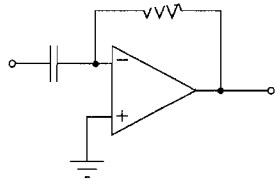


Fig 1.3

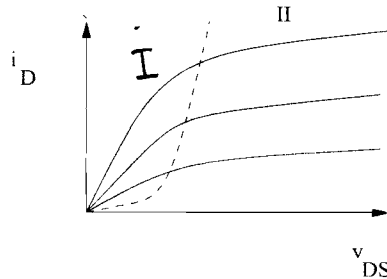


Fig. 1.4

viii) Figure 1.4 shows a sketch of the  $i_D - v_{DS}$  characteristic curves for a MOSFET. What are regions I and II known as?

- (c) a) I-triode II-active  
 b) I-cut-off II-saturation  
 c) I-triode II-saturation  
 d) I-cut-off II-triode

Practice Question:

Answer the similar question for a BJT.

ix) Examine the circuit in Fig. 1.5. Which statement below is correct?

- a)  $V_{DS} = V_{DD} + R_D I_D$
- b)  $V_{DS} = V_{GS}$
- c)  $V_{DS} = V_{GS} + R_G I_D$
- d)  $V_{DS} = V_{DD}$

**(b)**

Hint:  $I_G = 0$  (always)

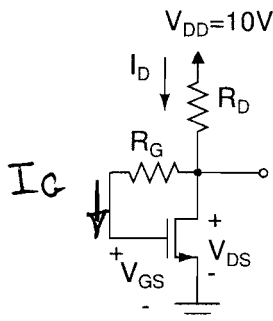


Fig. 1.5

x) A transistor amplifier has the following measure characteristics for two different load resistances.

Load resistance	Input voltage / mV	Output voltage / mV
Without $R_L$	8	80
With $R_L = 5 \text{ k}\Omega$	7	60

In this question it is assumed that the above measurements have been performed using 2 different values for the input source. (8mV when no load & 7mV when there was a load)

Calculate the open circuit voltage gain,  $A_{VO}$ , the voltage gain with the  $5 \text{ k}\Omega$  load resistor,  $A_V$  and the output resistance,  $R_o$ . Which of the following best matches the calculated parameters?

- a)  $A_{VO} = 10, A_V = 11.7$  and  $R_o = 5 \text{ k}\Omega$
- b)  $A_{VO} = 8.6, A_V = 10$  and  $R_o = 1.3 \text{ k}\Omega$
- c)  $A_{VO} = 10, A_V = 7.5$  and  $R_o = 1.7 \text{ k}\Omega$
- d)  $A_{VO} = 10, A_V = 8.6$  and  $R_o = 0.8 \text{ k}\Omega$

**(d)**

① Open circuit voltage gain (NO Load)

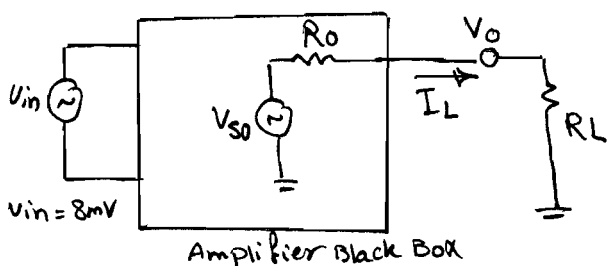
$$|A_{VO}| = \frac{|V_{out}|}{|V_{in}|} = \frac{80 \text{ mV}}{8 \text{ mV}} = 10 \text{ V/V}$$

② The voltage gain when there is a load

$$|A_V| = \frac{|V_{out}|}{|V_{in}|} = \frac{60 \text{ mV}}{7 \text{ mV}} = 8.57 \text{ V/V}$$

as  $R_L = 5 \text{ k}\Omega$  connected to the output.

3) To decide the output resistance,  $R_o$ , let the Thevenin' equivalent circuit of the amplifier output look be considered as shown below



- ①  $V_{in} = 8 \text{ mV} \Rightarrow V_o(\text{No Load}) = 80 \text{ mV} \Rightarrow V_{so} = 80 \text{ mV}$  (since  $I_L = 0$ )
- ② with Load &  $V_{in} = 8 \text{ mV} \Rightarrow V_o(\text{Load}) = 8.57 \times 8 \text{ mV} = 68.56 \text{ mV}$   
 $V_o(\text{Load}) = 68.56 \text{ mV} \Rightarrow I_L = \frac{68.56}{5 \text{ k}} = 13.7 \mu\text{A}$
- ③  $V_{R_o} = V_{so} - V_o(\text{Load}) = 80 \text{ mV} - 68.56 = 11.44 \text{ mV}$

$$R_o = \frac{V_{R_o}}{I_L} = \frac{11.44 \text{ mV}}{13.7 \mu\text{A}} = 835 \Omega \approx 0.8 \text{ k}\Omega$$

**Q2: Diodes**

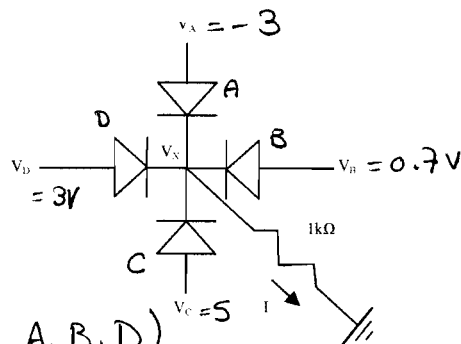
a) The circuit has been designed in Fig. 2.1, with diodes having forward voltages of 0.7V.

(i) If  $V_A = -3V$ ,  $V_B = 0.7V$ ,  $V_C = 5V$  and  $V_D = 3V$ , what will be the output at  $V_X$  and the current  $I$ ? If voltage  $V_A$ ,  $V_B$ ,  $V_C$  and  $V_D$  could only be 0V or 5V this circuit could be used as a logic gate. What type of gate would it be? **(4 Marks)**

⇒ Diode "C" is ON &

$$V_X = 5 - 0.7V = 4.3V$$

⇒ having  $V_X$  at 4.3V, applied to the cathodes of all other three diodes (A, B, D)



$$V_D = 0.7V$$

Keeps them in Backward bias & ensures them OFF.

$$\text{So, } I = \frac{V_X}{R} = \frac{4.3V}{1k\Omega} = 4.3mA$$

$$V_X = 4.3V$$

$$I = 4.3mA$$

Logic Gate Type = OR Gate

b) A zener diode circuit has been designed using two identical zener diodes as shown in Fig. 2.2.

The zener data for each diode is  $V_z = 4V$  at  $I_z = 2mA$ ,  $r_z = 20\Omega$  and  $I_{zk} = 0.5mA$ .

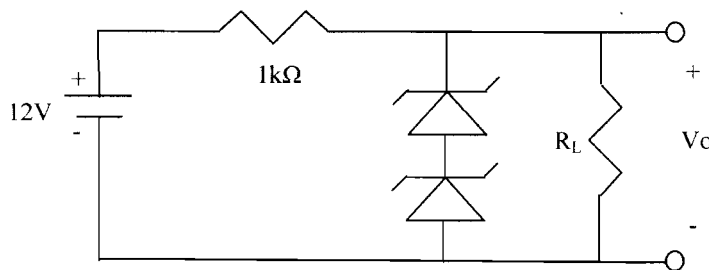
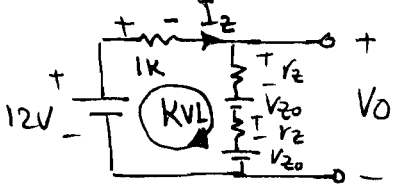


Fig. 2.2

Answer the following questions:

i) Find the DC value of  $V_0$  with no load resistor ( $R_L$ ). *\* Assume the diodes are ON.* (4 Marks)

$$V_z = V_{z0} + r_z I_z \Rightarrow 4V = V_{z0} + 20 \times 2m \Rightarrow V_{z0} = 4 - 0.04 = 3.96V$$



KVL:  $-12 + 1k I_z + 2r_z I_z + 2V_{z0} = 0$

$$I_z = \frac{12 - 2V_{z0}}{1k + 2r_z} = \frac{12 - 2(3.96)}{1k + 2(20)} = 3.92mA > I_{zk} \quad * \checkmark$$

$$V_0 = 12 - 1k(3.92mA) = 8.08V$$

$$V_0 = \underline{8.08V}$$

\* Note, having  $I_z > I_{zk}$  the assumption of diodes are ON is verified!

ii) Find the change in  $V_0$  if the 12V power supply were to vary by  $\pm 1V$ . (2 Marks)

For above circuit the "Line Regulation" eqn can be adapted

as: 
$$\frac{\Delta V_0}{\Delta V_s} = \frac{2r_z}{R + 2r_z} \Rightarrow \Delta V_0 = \frac{2(20)}{1k + 2(20)} \Delta V_s$$

$$\Delta V_0 = \frac{40}{1040} \Delta V_s = 0.0385 \Delta V_s$$

$$\Delta V_0 = \underline{\pm 0.0385 \Delta V_s}$$

iii) For the nominal 12V supply, what is  $V_0$  if a  $10k\Omega$  load resistor,  $R_L$ , is added? (3 Marks)

Assuming both  $D_{z1}$  &  $D_{z2}$  are ON. As an appropriately approximated solution, assume that connecting  $R_L$  does NOT effect  $V_0$  the value calculated in (i) above.

$$\Delta I_z = I_L \approx \frac{V_0(\text{load})}{R_L} = \frac{V_0(\text{No load})}{10k} = \frac{8.08V}{10k} \approx 0.808mA$$

$$I_z(\text{with load}) \approx I_z(\text{No load}) - \Delta I_z = 3.92mA - 0.808mA = 3.112mA > I_{zk} \quad \checkmark \text{ Assumption of } D_{z2} \text{ are ON is verified!}$$

$$V_0(\text{w. Load}) = 2V_{z0} + 2r_z I_z(\text{w. load}) = 2 \times 3.96 + 2(20)(3.112mA) = 8.044V$$

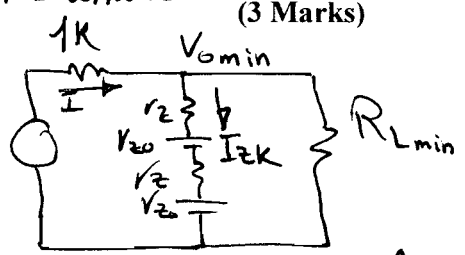
The most accurate solution using mesh analysis results in:  $I_L = 0.8046mA$  (0.8046mA) which is quite close to our answer here.

iv) For the nominal 12V supply, compute the minimum value of  $R_L$  so that the output is maintained at a relatively constant output. (3 Marks)

For the minimum value of  $R_L$  (worst case) the Zeners are assumed to be at the edge of the break down region which is

$$I_z = I_{zk} = 0.5mA$$

$$V_{0min} = 2V_{z0} + 2r_z I_{zk} = 2 \times 3.96 + 40 \times 0.5mA = 7.922V$$



$$I_{1k} = \frac{12 - 7.922}{1k} = 4.078mA \quad I_{R_{Lmin}} = I_{1k} - I_{zk} = 4.078mA - 0.5mA = 3.578mA$$

$$R_{Lmin} = \frac{V_{0min}}{I_{R_{Lmin}}} = \frac{7.922}{3.578mA} = 2.214k\Omega$$

$$R_{Lmin} = \underline{2214\Omega}$$

c) A square wave input as shown below is applied to  $V_i$  of the ideal diode circuit in Fig. 2.3.

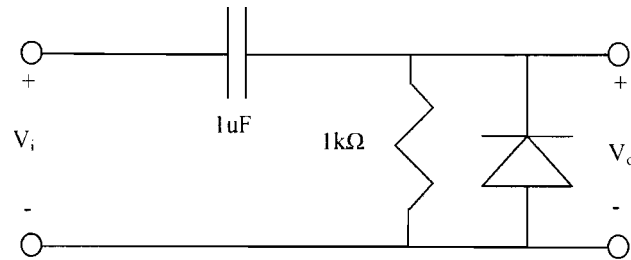
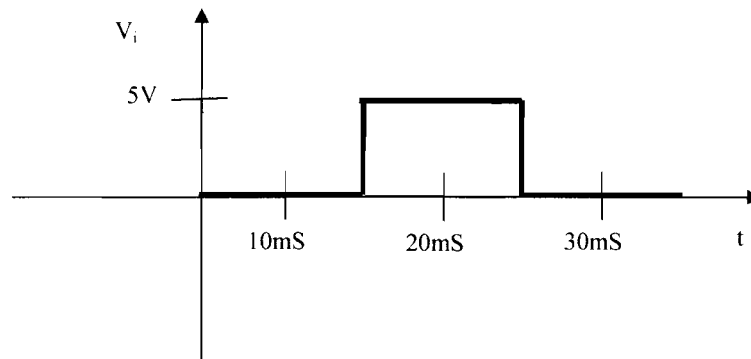
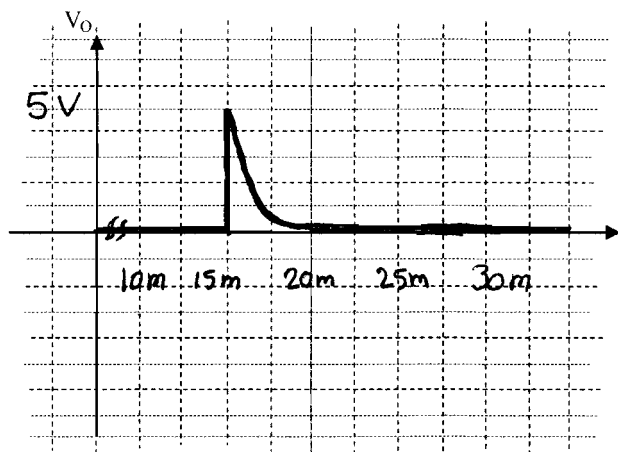


Fig. 2.3



Sketch the resulting waveform at  $V_o$  assuming the initial value of  $V_o$  is 0V. Make sure to include scales on the voltage and time axis **(4 Marks)**

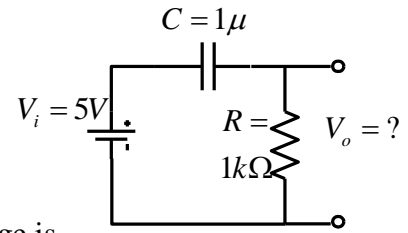


**(Page 7 of 17) Q2 part C answer:**

- The time constant  $\tau$  for this RC circuit is  $\tau = RC = 1k \times 1\mu = 1\text{msec}$
- The pulse width of the input signal is  $T_w = 10\text{msec}$

- 1) for  $t < 15\text{msec}$ : since the input source is zero ( $V_i = 0$ ); the voltage at output is zero ( $V_o = 0$ );
- 2) At  $t = 15\text{msec}$ : the capacitor will see an instant change in input voltage (from 0-to-5V) and (instantly) acts as a short circuit. This means that,  $V_o$  will follow the input ( $V_o = 5V$ )
- 3)  $15\text{msec} < t \leq 25\text{msec}$ : at 15msec the capacitor starts charging, and continues charging as time passes. The equivalent circuit is shown to the right.

$$15\text{m} < t \leq 25\text{m}: V_o = V_m e^{\frac{-t_a}{\tau}} = 5e^{\frac{-t_a}{1\text{msec}}}$$



Say:

- at  $t = 16\text{msec}$ , capacitor charged for 1msec  
 $t_a = 1\text{msec}$  ( $\rightarrow 16\text{msec} - 15\text{msec}$ ), then the output voltage is

$$V_o = 5e^{\frac{1\text{msec}}{1\text{msec}}} = 5 \times 0.37 = 1.84V$$

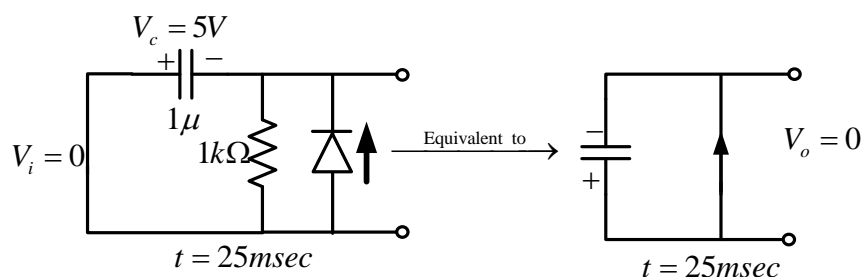
Similarly, say:

- at  $t = 17\text{msec} \rightarrow t_a = 17\text{msec} - 15\text{msec} = 2\text{msec} \rightarrow V_o = 5e^{\frac{2\text{msec}}{1\text{msec}}} \approx 1V$
- at  $t = 18\text{msec} \rightarrow t_a = 18\text{msec} - 15\text{msec} = 3\text{msec} \rightarrow V_o = 5e^{\frac{3\text{msec}}{1\text{msec}}} \approx 0.25V$
- at  $t = 19\text{msec} \rightarrow t_a = 19\text{msec} - 15\text{msec} = 4\text{msec} \rightarrow V_o = 5e^{\frac{4\text{msec}}{1\text{msec}}} \approx 0.09V$
- at  $t = 20\text{msec} \rightarrow t_a = 20\text{msec} - 15\text{msec} = 5\text{msec} \rightarrow V_o = 5e^{\frac{5\text{msec}}{1\text{msec}}} \approx 0.034V \approx 0$

This means, the capacitor has been fully charged to 5V and will stay charged until 25msec.

Since in this circuit  $\tau \ll T_w$ ; it does not behave as a regular diode clamper circuit.

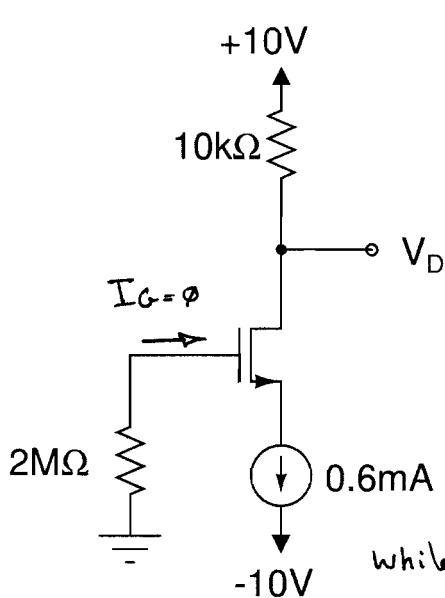
- 4) at  $t = 25\text{msec}$ : The input instantly decreases by 5V and falls to 0V, as seen below the charge across the capacitor appears right across the diode and this causes the diode to conduct heavily and to quickly discharge the capacitor.



- 5) at  $t > 25\text{msec}$ : The input source  $V_i = 0$  and capacitor has been already discharged and  $V_c = 0$ , therefore the voltage at the output will be (and stay at) zero,  $V_o = 0$ .

**Q3: MOSFET**

The MOSFET circuit shown in Fig. 3.1 is biased by a constant current source.



$I_G = 0 \Rightarrow V_G = 0V$   
 $I_D = I_S = 0.6mA$   
 $V_D = 10V - 10k \times 0.6mA = 10V - 6V = 4V$   
 Assume MOSFET operates in saturation mode.  
 Accordingly it is expected that,  
 $V_{GS} - V_t \leq V_{DS}$  or equivalently  
 $V_G - V_t \leq V_D (*)$   
 while we have  $0 - 1.5V < 4V \Rightarrow$  So, the above assumption is true!

Fig. 3.1

- a) Given  $V_t = 1.5V$ ,  $k'_n = 120 \mu A/V^2$  and  $W/L = 10$   
 i. Find the following voltages,  $V_{GS}$ ,  $V_G$ ,  $V_S$  and  $V_D$ .

sat.  $\Rightarrow I_D = \frac{1}{2} k'_n \frac{W}{L} (V_{GS} - V_t)^2 \rightsquigarrow 0.6mA = \frac{1}{2} \times 120\mu \times 10 (V_{GS} - V_t)^2$  (5 Marks)  
 $(V_{GS} - V_t)^2 = \frac{1.2m}{120\mu \times 10} = 1 \rightsquigarrow V_{GS} - 1.5V = \pm 1 \Rightarrow V_{GS} = \begin{cases} 0.5V \\ 2.5V \end{cases}$

Let us see which one of the calculated  $V_{GS}$  above can satisfy the starting assumption of saturation by holding eqn (\*) above.

- 1)  $V_{GS} = 0.5 \rightsquigarrow V_G - V_t = 0.5 - 1.5 = -1 < 0$  This value can NOT be accepted because if so,  $V_{GS} < V_t$  & this means  $T_r$  is OFF (& NOT sat.)
- 2)  $V_{GS} = 2.5V \Rightarrow V_G - V_S = 2.5V \Rightarrow 0 - V_S = 2.5V \Rightarrow V_S = -2.5V$

EXTRA NOTE:

Again it is easily seen that,  $V_{GS} - V_t = 2.5 - 1.5 = 1V < V_{DS} = 4V$  ✓

$V_{GS}$  2.5V     $V_G$  0     $V_S$  -2.5     $V_D$  4V

ii. Calculate  $g_m$  &  $r_o$  given  $V_A = 80V$ .

$$g_m = \sqrt{2k' \frac{W}{L} I_D} = (2 \times 120 \mu \times 10 \times 0.6 \text{ m})^{1/2} \quad (2 \text{ Marks})$$

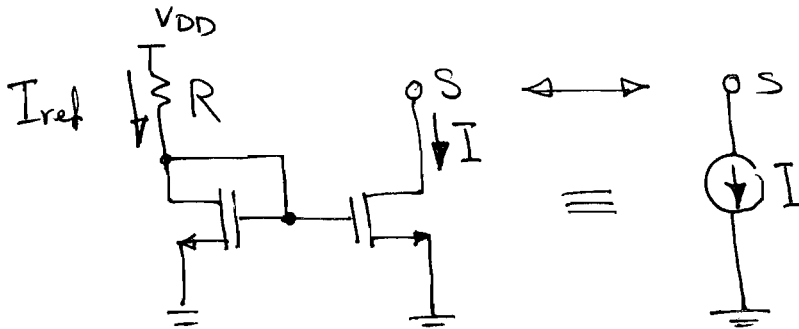
$$= 1.2 \times 10^{-3} = 1.2 \text{ m I/V}$$

$$r_o = \frac{|V_A|}{I_D} = \frac{80}{0.6 \text{ m}} = 133.33 \text{ k}\Omega$$

$$g_m \underline{1.2 \text{ m I/V}} \quad r_o \underline{133.33 \text{ k}\Omega}$$

iii. A MOSFET circuit that could be used as the constant source in Fig 3.1 is called the current mirror. Sketch the basic MOSFET current mirror circuit.

(3 Marks)



b) The circuit is modified so that it can be used as a small-signal amplifier. The new circuit, with the signal source, is shown in Fig. 3.2

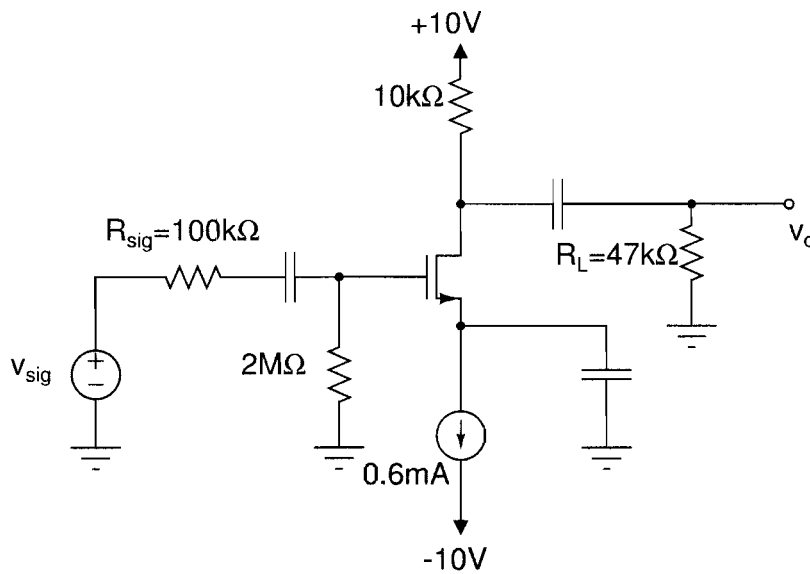
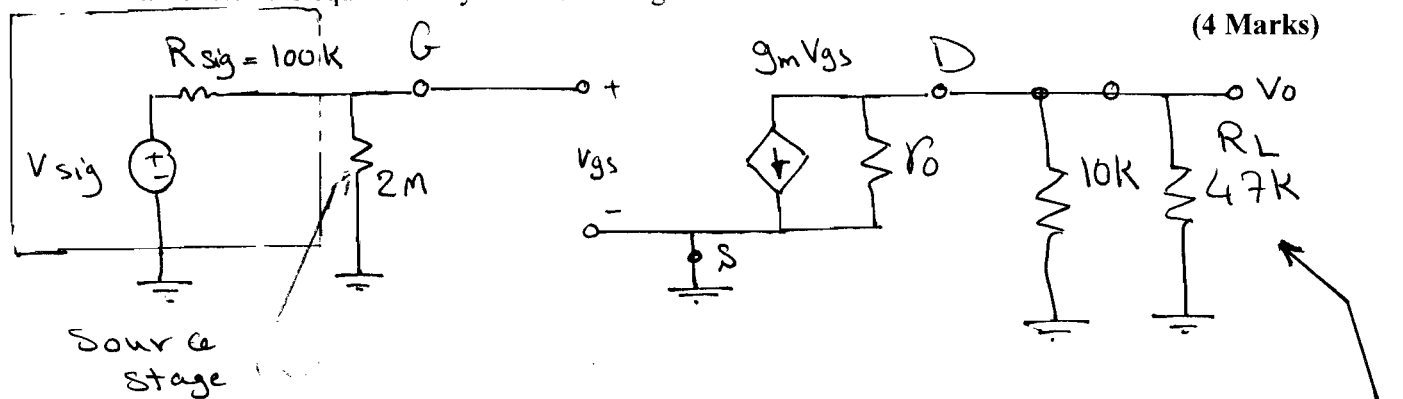


Fig. 3.2 (Assume all capacitors have an infinite value).

i. Sketch the equivalent hybrid- $\pi$  small signal circuit model for this circuit. (4 Marks)



ii. Determine the input resistance,  $R_{in}$ , output resistance,  $R_{out}$  and voltage gain,  $A_v$  for the amplifier (take into account  $r_o$  &  $R_L$ ).

$R_{in} = 2\text{ M}\Omega$ , According to the Fig.  $R_{out} = r_o \parallel 10\text{K} \parallel 47\text{K}$  (\*) (3 Marks)

Overall voltage gain  $A_v = \frac{V_o}{V_{sig}} = \underbrace{\frac{V_{gs}}{V_{sig}}}_{A_{v1}} \times \underbrace{\frac{V_o}{V_{gs}}}_{A_{v2}} = \left( \frac{2\text{ M}}{2\text{ M} + 100\text{ k}} \right) \times \left( -g_m \times r_o \parallel 10\text{ K} \parallel 47\text{ K} \right)$

$= \frac{2}{2.1} \times -1.2\text{ m} \times 7.764\text{ k} = 0.95 \times (-9.32) = -8.87 \text{ V/V}$

$R_{in} = 2\text{ M}\Omega$        $R_{out} = 7.764\text{ k}\Omega$        $A_v = -8.87 \text{ V/V}$

(\*) NOTE: ONE may want to consider & calculate  $R_{out}$  before  $R_L$ , which is also an acceptable case then  $R_{out} \Big|_{\text{before } R_L} = r_o \parallel 10\text{K} \approx 9.3\text{ K}\Omega$

iii. If  $v_{sig}$  is a 0.2 V peak-to-peak sinusoid and assuming small-signal operation, what output signal  $v_o$  results if  $R_{sig}$  and  $R_L$  are 100k $\Omega$  and 47k $\Omega$ , respectively?

(2 Marks)

$$\frac{v_o}{v_i} = A_v \quad \Rightarrow \quad v_o = A_v v_i = -8.87 \times 0.2V$$

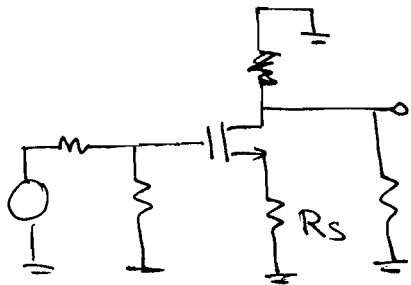
$$= -1.774V$$

$v_o$  1.774  $\angle$  180° Phase shift

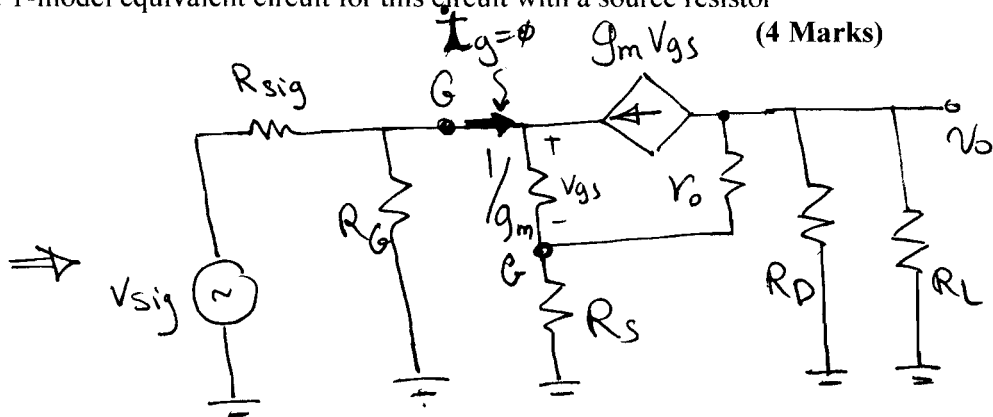
c) A resistor is now placed into the source branch of the circuit (after the MOSFET source terminal and prior to the capacitor and current source).

i. Sketch the equivalent T-model equivalent circuit for this circuit with a source resistor

(4 Marks)



A visualization of ac equivalent circuit including new  $R_s$



Small signal equivalent of amplifier circuit using T-model for MOSFET

ii. State what will happen to the output  $v_o$ , now that the source resistor is inserted. (Note, you do

EXTRA Explanation: not need to perform analysis, just state what will happen).

Let consider the overall voltage gain eqns before & after adding  $R_s$  in below. (Neglecting  $r_o$ ) (2 Marks)

without  $R_s$ :  $G_v = \frac{-R_c}{R_c + R_{sig}} \times g_m (R_D || R_L)$

with  $R_s$ :  $G_v = \frac{-R_c}{R_c + R_{sig}} \times \frac{g_m (R_D || R_L)}{1 + g_m R_s}$

NOTE: Adding  $R_s$  to a common source stage provides some improvements in performance BUT at the expense of reduced gain

ANS.: The overall voltage gain  $G_v$  of the amplifier is reduced. with reduced gain,  $v_o$  would have smaller magnitude for the same  $v_{sig}$  at input.

**Q4: BJT**

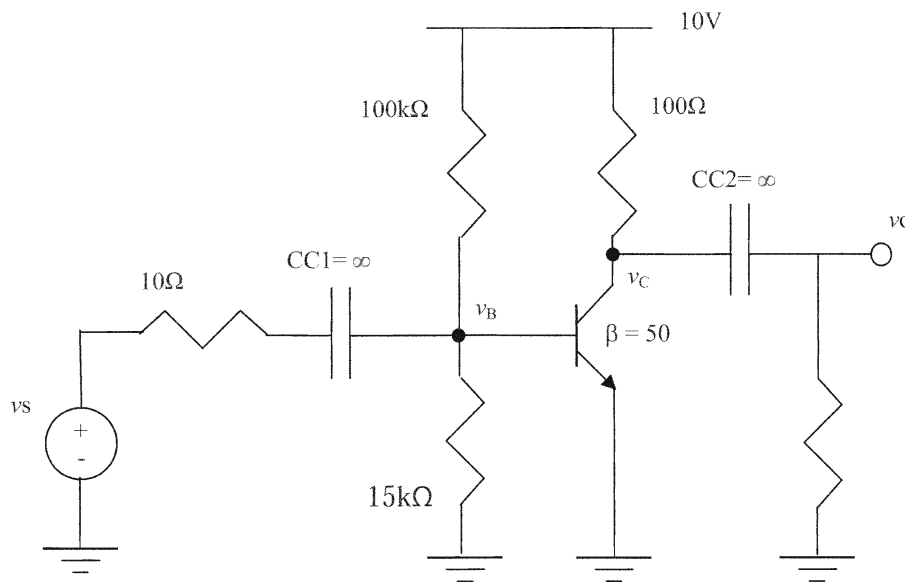
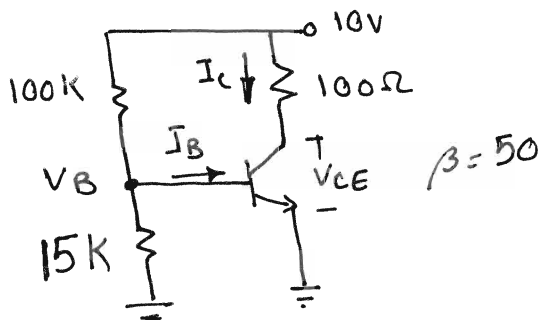


Fig. 4.1

a) For the BJT amplifier circuit shown in Fig. 4.1:

i) Draw the DC equivalent circuit that can be used for calculating DC voltages and currents

For dc equivalent circuit, all cap should be treated as open circuit. (3 Marks)



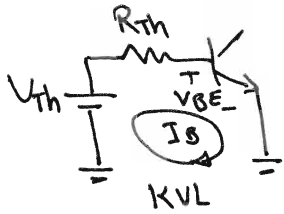
ii) Assuming room temperature, determine values for  $V_B$ ,  $V_C$ ,  $I_B$ , and  $I_C$  (where  $V_B$  etc. have their usual meaning):

$\hookrightarrow V_T = 25\text{mV}$  &  $V_{BE} = 0.7$  Typical Values (7 Marks)  
 for active mode

So:  $V_B = V_{BE} = 0.7\text{V}$

as Emitter is directly connected to the ground.

Considering Thevenin equivalent circuit for the 2-Resistor biasing Network as:



$$R_{Th} = 100K \parallel 15K \approx 13K\Omega$$

$$V_{Th} = \frac{15K}{115K} \times 10V \approx 1.3V$$

KVL at BE side:

$$-V_{Th} + R_{Th} I_B + V_{BE} = 0$$

$$I_B = \frac{V_{Th} - V_{BE}}{R_{Th}} = \frac{1.3 - 0.7}{13K} \approx 46\mu A$$

$$I_C = \beta I_B = 50 \times 46\mu A = 2.3mA$$

$$V_C = 9.77V$$

$$V_B = 0.7V$$

$$I_B \approx 46\mu A$$

$$I_C \approx 2.3mA$$

$$V_C = 10 - R_C I_C = 10 - 2.3mA \times 100 = 9.77V$$

4. b)

i) The BJT in figure 4.1 had an early voltage of 500V. Compute parameters  $r_\pi$ ,  $g_m$ , and  $r_o$ .

$$g_m = \frac{I_C}{V_T} = \frac{2.3mA}{25mV} = 0.092 \text{ (A/V)}$$

(3 Marks)

$$|V_A| = 500V \Rightarrow r_o = \frac{|V_A|}{I_C} = \frac{500V}{2.3mA} = 217,391 \approx 217K\Omega$$

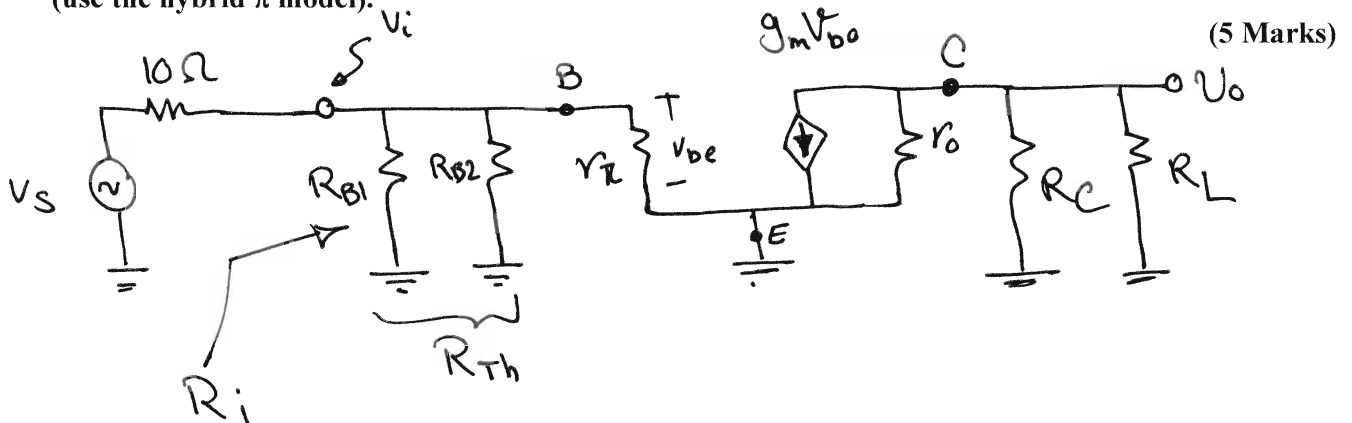
$$g_m = 0.092 \text{ (A/V)}$$

$$r_o = 217K\Omega$$

$$r_\pi = \frac{V_T}{I_B} = \frac{25mV}{46\mu A} = 543.5\Omega$$

$$r_\pi = 543.5\Omega$$

ii) Draw the small signal A. C. equivalent circuit based on parameters calculated above in 4 b) (use the hybrid  $\pi$  model).



(5 Marks)

iii) Find the input resistance  $R_i$

$$R_i = R_{B1} \parallel R_{B2} \parallel r_\pi = R_{Th} \parallel r_\pi = 13K\Omega \parallel 543.5\Omega = 521.7\Omega$$

(2 Marks)

$$R_i = 521.7\Omega$$

iv) Find the intermediate voltage gain,  $A_{v1} = v_i/v_s$ .

(1 Mark)

$$A_{v1} = \frac{v_i}{v_s} = \frac{R_i}{R_s + R_i} = \frac{521.7}{10\Omega + 521.7} = 0.98$$

$$A_{v1} = 0.98 \frac{V}{V}$$

(v) Find the intermediate voltage gain  $A_{v2} = v_o/v_i$ .

(3 Marks)

$$A_{v2} = \frac{v_o}{v_i} = \frac{v_o}{v_{be}} = -g_m (r_o \parallel \overbrace{R_c \parallel R_L}^{R'_L})$$

Since  $R_L$  is NOT given, considering that,  $R_L$  is generally in the range of few  $k\Omega$ , so  $R_L \gg R_c$  &  $R'_L = R_c \parallel R_L \approx R_c$

$$R'_L = R_c \parallel R_L \approx R_c = 100\Omega$$

also  $r_o \parallel R_c \approx R_c$

$$A_{v2} = -0.092 \times 100 = -9.2 \left(\frac{V}{V}\right)$$

$$A_{v2} = -9.2 \left(\frac{V}{V}\right)$$

(vi) Find the overall voltage gain,  $A_v = v_o/v_s$ .

(1 Mark)

$$A_v = \frac{v_o}{v_s} = \frac{v_o}{v_i} \times \frac{v_i}{v_s} = A_{v2} \times A_{v1}$$

$$A_v = -9.2 \times 0.98 = -9$$

$$A_v = \approx -9$$

**5. Operational Amplifier**

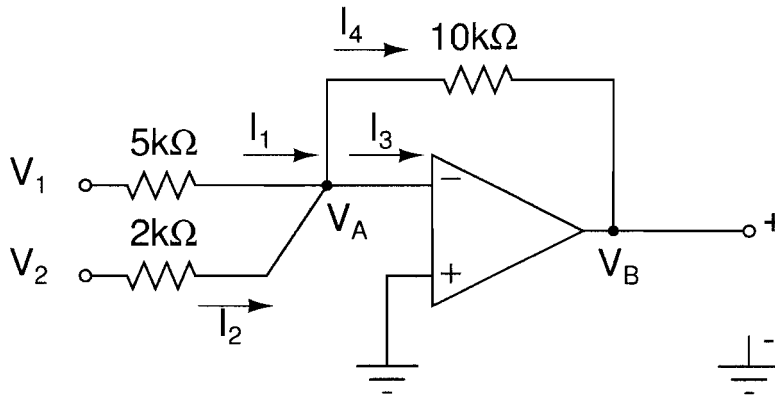


Fig. 5.1

a) Assuming ideal operational amplifiers (op-amps.), analyze the circuit in Fig. 5.1 and find expressions for the various branch currents and nodal voltages (as marked on the figure). Note:  $V_1$  and  $V_2$  are the inputs to the circuit.

1)  $V_A = V^- = V^+ = 0 \Rightarrow V_A = 0$  virtual ground (6 Marks)

2)  $I_3 = \emptyset$

3)  $I_1 = \frac{V_1 - V^-}{5K} = \frac{V_1}{5K}$       4)  $I_2 = \frac{V_2 - V^-}{2K} = \frac{V_2}{2K}$

5)  $I_4 = \frac{V^- - V_B}{10K} = -\frac{V_B}{10K}$

KCL @ A:  $I_1 + I_2 - I_3 - I_4 = 0 \Rightarrow \frac{V_1}{5K} + \frac{V_2}{2K} - 0 - \left(-\frac{V_B}{10K}\right) = 0$

$V_B = -\left(\frac{10K}{5K} V_1 + \frac{10K}{2K} V_2\right) = -2V_1 - 5V_2$

$I_1 = \frac{V_1}{5K}$      $I_2 = \frac{V_2}{2K}$      $I_3 = \emptyset$      $I_4 = \frac{-V_B}{10K}$      $V_A = \emptyset$      $V_B = -2V_1 - 5V_2$

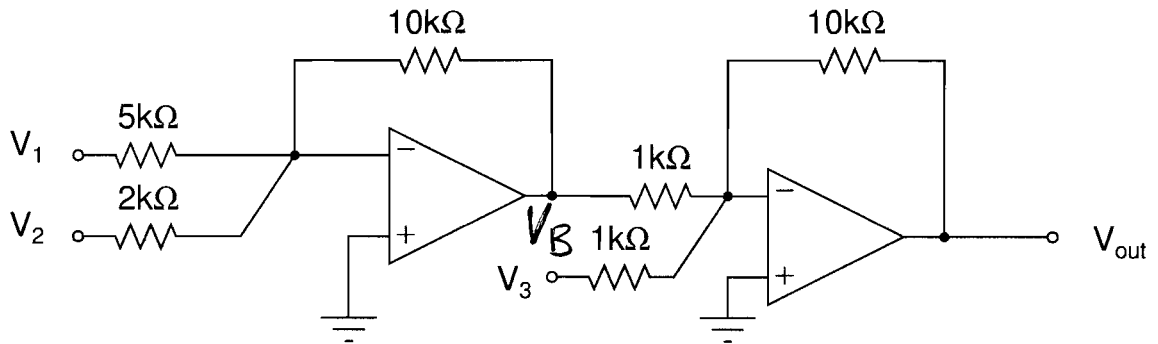


Fig. 5.2

b) The circuit in a) is now used to make a larger circuit, see Fig. 5.2. The intention is for this circuit to have the output response:

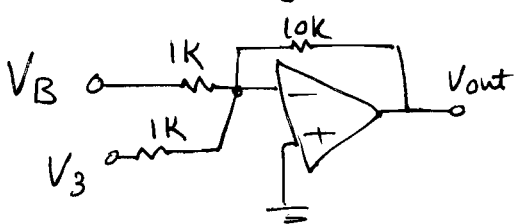
$$V_{out} = 2V_1 + 5V_2 + 10V_3 \quad (5.1)$$

Measurements show that this circuit does not give the desired response, stated in (5.1)

i. Analyze the circuit and state the correct response of the proposed circuit.

LET Analyze the output (last) stage first,

(3 Marks)



$$V_{out} = -\left(\frac{10k}{1k} V_B + \frac{10k}{1k} V_3\right) = -10V_B - 10V_3$$

Knowing that,  $V_B = -2V_1 - 5V_2$

$$V_{out} = -10(-2V_1 - 5V_2) - 10V_3$$

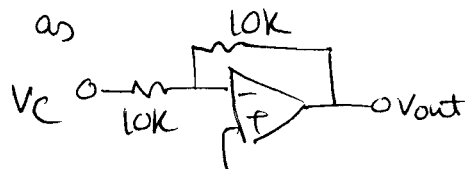
$$= 20V_1 + 50V_2 - 10V_3$$

ii. Provide a circuit design that will give the response of (5.1) using only the components shown in Fig. 5.2, plus an extra 10 kΩ resistor. Note: you do not need to use all the components.

\* NOTE:

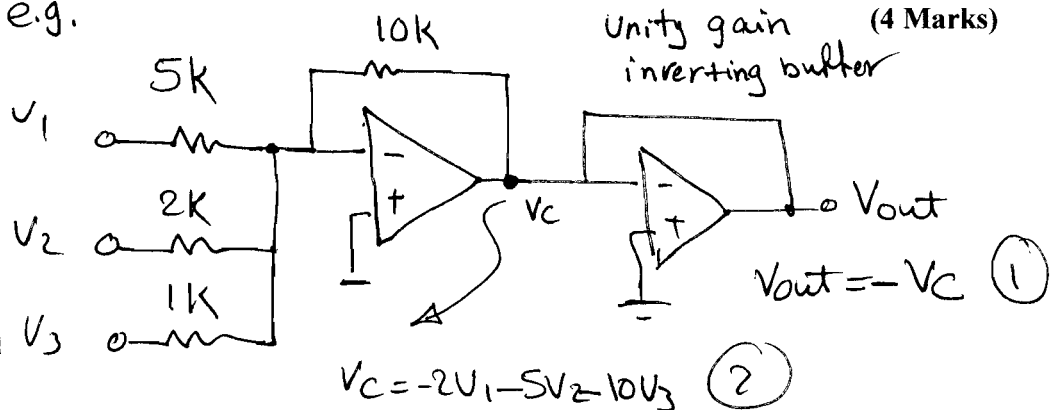
5.2, plus an extra 10 kΩ resistor. Note: you do not need to use all the components.

The unity gain inverting stage can be also design as



Anyhow, both solutions are technically correct also there are other possible solutions too.

e.g. (4 Marks)



$$V_c = -2V_1 - 5V_2 - 10V_3 \quad (2)$$

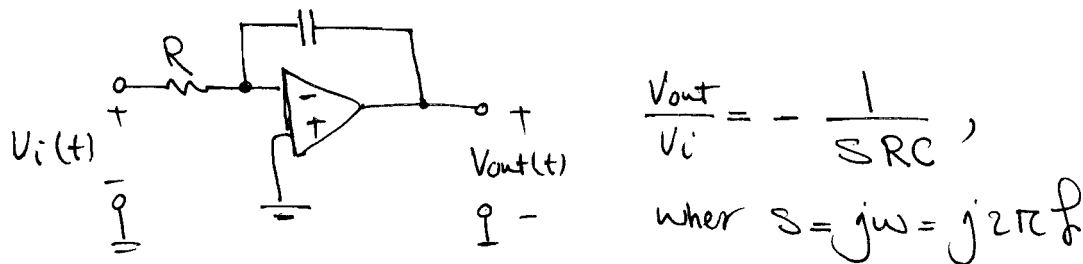
$$V_{out} = 2V_1 + 5V_2 + 10V_3$$

(1) & (2) ⇒

c) An op-amp. based inverting Miller integrator is measured at 1 kHz and found to have a voltage of -50V/V.

i. Sketch the basic circuit for an op-amp. inverting Miller integrator.

(2 Marks)



ii. At what frequency is the gain reduced to -1V/V?

(3 Marks)

@  $f = 1 \text{ kHz} \Rightarrow \frac{V_o}{V_i} = -50 \Rightarrow -50 = - \left| \frac{1}{j\omega RC} \right|$   $\omega = 2\pi \times 1\text{K}$

$$50 = \frac{1}{2\pi \times 1\text{K} (RC)} \Rightarrow RC = \frac{1}{2\pi \times 1\text{K} \times 50} = \frac{10}{\pi} \mu\text{sec}$$

Now: @  $f_2 = ? \Rightarrow \frac{V_o}{V_i} = -1 \Rightarrow -1 = - \left| \frac{1}{j2\pi f_2 RC} \right| \Rightarrow 2\pi f_2 RC = 1$

$$f_2 = \frac{1}{2\pi RC} = \frac{1}{2\pi \times \frac{10}{\pi} \mu\text{M}} = 50 \text{ kHz}$$

iii. Sketch the response of the magnitude of the gain (in dB) with respect to angular frequency (radians per second).

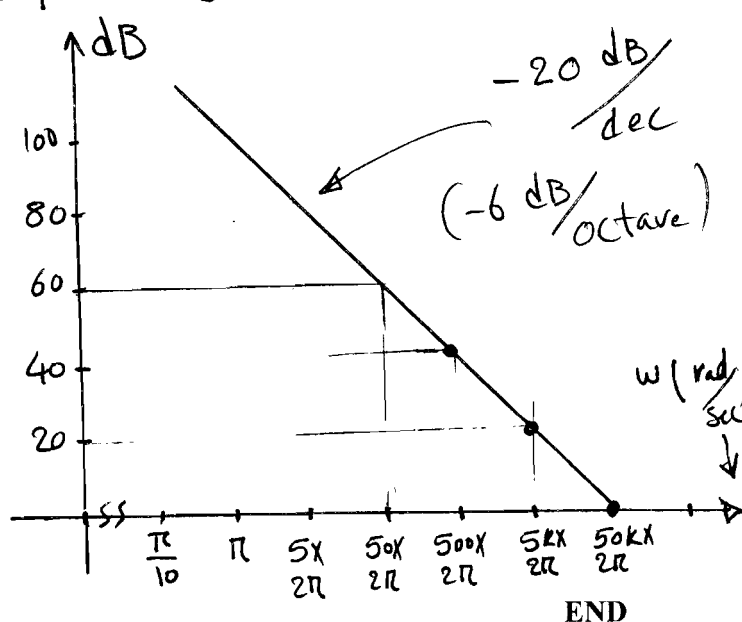
(2 Marks)

$$\text{dB} : 20 \log \left| \frac{V_o}{V_i} \right| = 20 \log \left| \frac{-1}{2\pi j f} \times \frac{1}{RC} \right| = 20 \log \left| \frac{\pi \times 10^5}{2\pi f} \right|$$

$$\Rightarrow 20 \log \left| \frac{V_o}{V_i} \right| = 20 \log \left| \frac{50 \times 10^3}{f} \right|$$

checking for <sup>freq.</sup> few points

- 1)  $f = 50\text{K} \Rightarrow 20 \log \left| \frac{50\text{K}}{50\text{K}} \right| = 20 \log 1 = 0 \text{ dB}$
- 2)  $f = 5\text{K} \Rightarrow 20 \log \left| \frac{50 \times 10^3}{5 \times 10^3} \right| = 20 \text{ dB}$
- 3)  $f = 0.5\text{K} \Rightarrow 20 \log \left| \frac{50 \times 10^3}{0.5 \times 10^3} \right| = 40 \text{ dB}$



$f = \text{DC}$  Gain = infinity