

ECE 115A
Fall '20
Midterm Exam
Thursday, November 5, 2020
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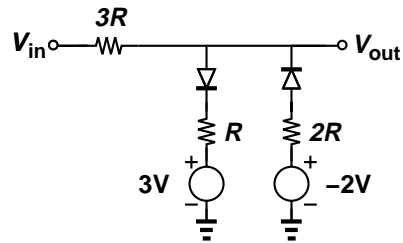
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Total :

Problem 1 (20 marks)

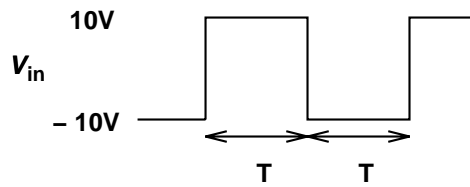
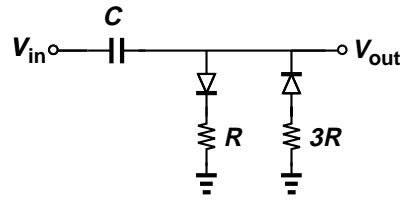
For the shown circuit, sketch V_{out} vs. V_{in} . Let V_{in} changes from -5 V to 5 V. Label the important break points. Assume ideal diodes.



Problem 2 (20 marks)

For the circuit shown, utilizing ideal diodes, sketch the output waveform for the input shown. Label the most positive and most negative output levels.

- (a) $CR \gg T$
- (b) $CR = 0.5 T$

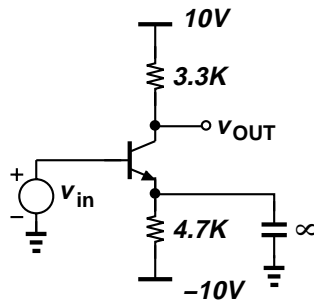


Problem 3 (20 marks)

For the common-emitter amplifier circuit shown below:

- Find the dc collector current of the transistor and the output dc voltage.
- Find g_m and r_π .
- Find the voltage gain (v_{out}/v_{in}) and the input resistance.

Assume $\beta=100$ and $V_{BE(on)}=0.7$ V.

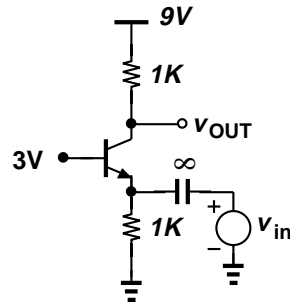


Problem 4 (20 marks)

For the common-base amplifier circuit shown below:

- Find the dc collector current of the transistor and the output dc voltage.
- Find g_m and r_e .
- Find the voltage gain (v_{out}/v_{in}) and the input resistance.

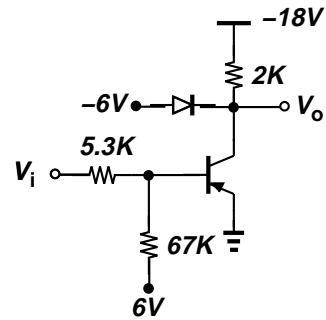
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Problem 5 (20 marks)

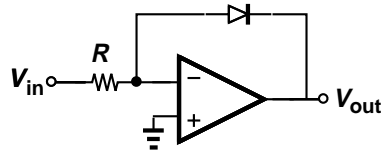
For the circuit shown:

- (a) find V_o when $V_i=0$
- (b) What is the β to have $V_o = 0$ V and $V_i = -6$ V, assume device in forward active as long as $V_{CE} \leq 0$. Assume ideal diode and $V_{EB(on)} = 0.7$ V.



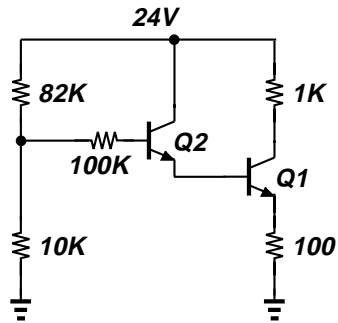
Problem 6 (Bonus - 10 marks)

For the circuit shown below, find the expression of the output V_{out} in terms of the input V_{in} . (For diode $I_D = I_S \exp(V_D / V_T)$)



Problem 7 (Bonus - 10 marks)

For the circuit shown, transistors Q_1 and Q_2 operate in the active mode region with $V_{BE1} = V_{BE2} = 0.7\text{ V}$, $\beta_1 = 100$ and $\beta_2 = 50$. Find I_{B1} , V_{C2} and V_{E2} .



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TOTAL POINTS

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QUESTION 1

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✓ - **0 pts** Correct

QUESTION 2

2 2 20 / 20

✓ - **0 pts** Correct

QUESTION 3

3 3 20 / 20

✓ - **0 pts** Correct

QUESTION 4

4 4 20 / 20

✓ - **0 pts** Correct

QUESTION 5

5 5 16 / 20

✓ - **4 pts** 4 points partial credit for a

QUESTION 6

6 6 10 / 10

✓ - **0 pts** Correct

QUESTION 7

7 7 0.5 / 10

- **9.5** Point adjustment

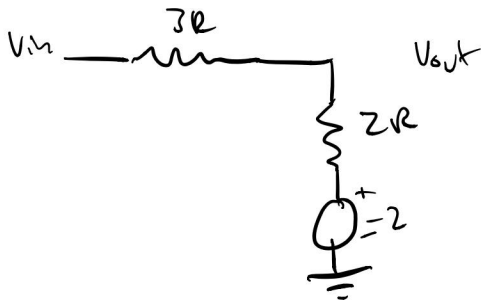
Problem 1:



Start from $-5V$ (low swing)

let us assume that $V_{out} < -2 < 3$

Then, D_1 will be open and D_2 will be short



$$\frac{V_{in} + 2}{5R} (2R) - 2 = V_{out}$$

$$\frac{2}{5} (V_{in} + 2) - 2 = V_{out}$$

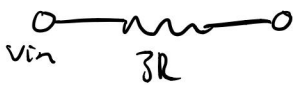
$$\frac{2V_{in} + 4 - 10}{5} = V_{out}$$

$$\frac{2V_{in} - 6}{5} = V_{out}$$

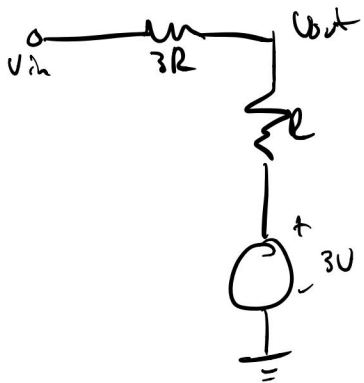
→ assumption is true until $V_{in} = -2$.

This remains true until $V_{out} = -2 \Rightarrow V_{in} = -2$

Then, D_2 is open and $V_{out} = V_{in}$



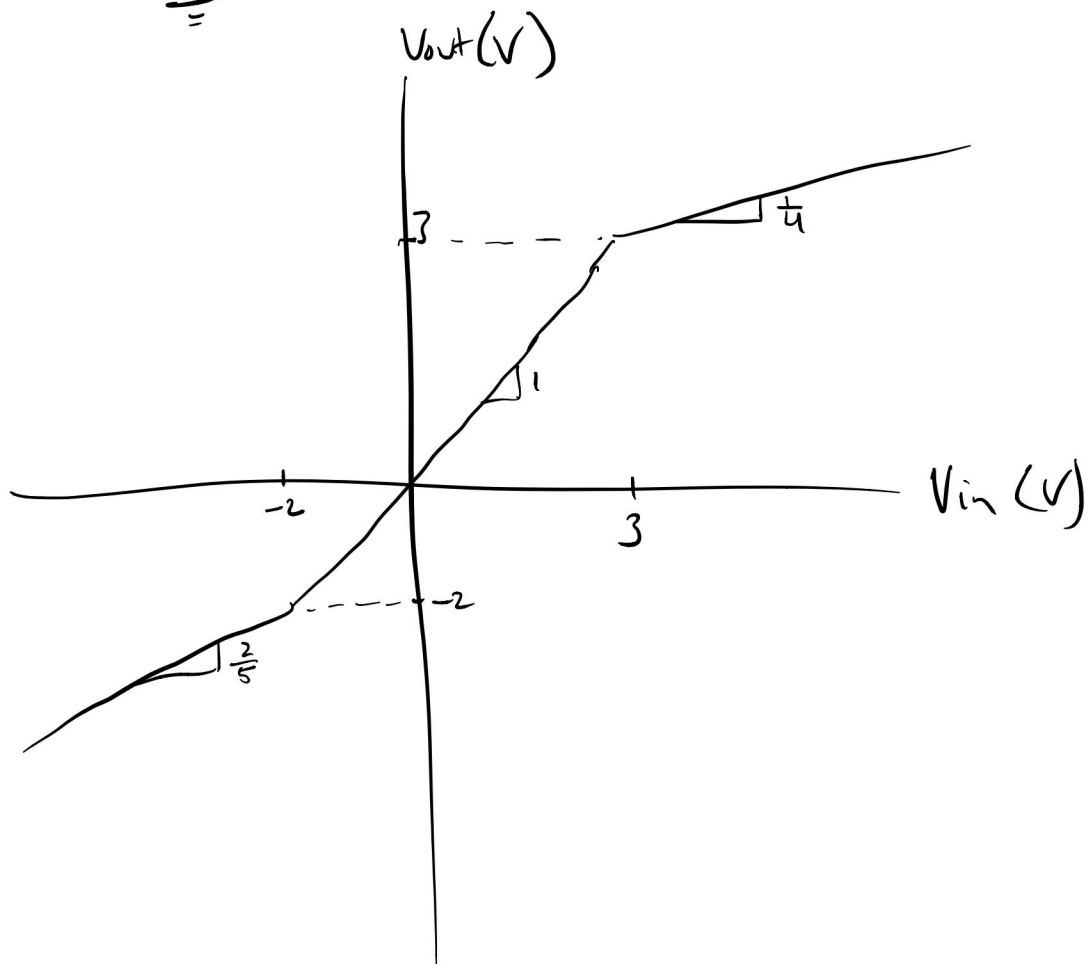
When $V_{out} = V_{in} = 3+$, then D_1 is shorted



$$V_{out} = (V_{in} - 3) \left(\frac{1}{4} \right) + 3$$

$$= \frac{V_{in} - 3 + 12}{4}$$

$$V_{out} = \frac{V_{in} + 9}{4}$$



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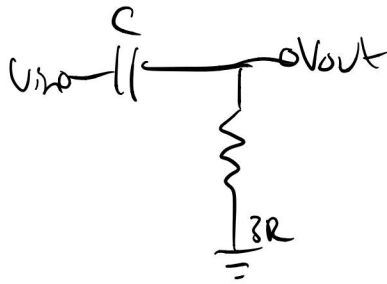
Problem 2:

Note: I asked if we are to do this in steady state or draw the transients, and I was told to do steady state, I will still comment on the transients,

a) KCL:



For low swing, D_1 is open and D_2 is shorted. Then:



$$C \frac{dV_{in} - V_{out}}{dt} = \frac{V_{out}}{3R}$$

Since V_{in} is constant,

$$\text{Then } \frac{dV_{out}}{dt} = -\frac{1}{3RC} V_{out}$$

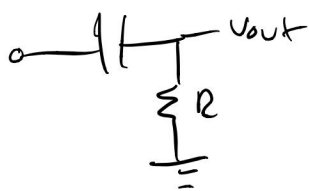
$$V_{out} = C e^{-\frac{t}{3RC}} = -10 e^{-\frac{t}{3RC}}$$

$$\text{For } RC \gg T, e^{-\frac{t}{3RC}} \approx e^{-\frac{(t+T)}{3RC}}$$

so the output is flat and $V_{out} = 0$

For the high swing at $t=T$,
 $V_C(t^-) = V_C(t^+) = 0$ due to resistance and very little current
 because $T \ll RC$
 so $V_{out} = V_{in} = 10$

Then, D_1 is short and D_2 is open



and $V_{out} = 10e^{-\frac{t-T}{RC}}$

Since $RC \gg T$, the same argument is made and $V_{out}(2T) = 10$.

Then, $V_{out}(2T^+) = V_{out}(2T^-) = 10$ and the conditions repeat

Thus, for the first cycles, $V_{out} = V_{in}$



However, at steady state ($t \rightarrow \infty$), the transients will disappear and the output will look like:

Steady state:

$$\begin{aligned}
 &V_{out_H}(0+) - V_{out_L}(T-) = 20 \\
 &V_{out_H}(T-) - V_{out_L}(0+) = 20 \\
 &V_{out_H}(0+) - e^{-\frac{T}{3RC}} V_{out_L}(0+) = 20 \\
 &V_{out_H}(0+) e^{-\frac{T}{3RC}} - V_{out_L}(0+) = 20
 \end{aligned}$$

$H \rightarrow$ High
 $L \rightarrow$ low

Approx $e^{-\frac{T}{3RC}} = \left(1 - \frac{T}{3RC}\right)$ because $T \ll 3RC$

$$V_{out_H} - \left(1 - \frac{T}{3RC}\right) V_{out_L} = 20$$

$$\left(1 - \frac{T}{3RC}\right) V_{out_H} - V_{out_L} = 20$$

$$\left(\frac{T}{3RC}\right) V_{out_H} = -V_{out_L} \left(\frac{T}{3RC}\right)$$

$$V_{out_H} = -V_{out_L} \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)$$

since V does not really decay

$$V_{out_H} - V_{out_L} = 20$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 V_{out_H} &= 5 \\
 V_{out_L} &= -15
 \end{aligned}$$



b) For low swing:

$$V_{out}(T-) = -10 e^{-\frac{1}{\tau} T} \quad \text{as shown in a)}$$

$$\text{since } T = 2\tau$$

$$V_{out}(T-) = -10 e^{-\frac{2}{3}} = \boxed{-5.134}$$

$$\text{Note: } \boxed{V_{out_L}(T-) = V_{out_L}(0+) e^{-\frac{2}{3}}} \quad \text{For low}$$

Then, when V_{in} jumps, V_c does not change so

V_{out} jumps the same amount.

$$V_{out}(T+) = 20 - 5.134 = 14.86$$

$$V_{out}(2T-) = 14.86 e^{-\frac{1}{\tau}(t-T)} = 14.86 e^{-2}$$

$$= 2.011$$

$$\boxed{V_{out_H}(T-) = V_{out_H}(0+) e^{-2}}$$

For steady state:

$$V_{out_H}(0+)e^{-2} = V_{out_H}(T-)$$

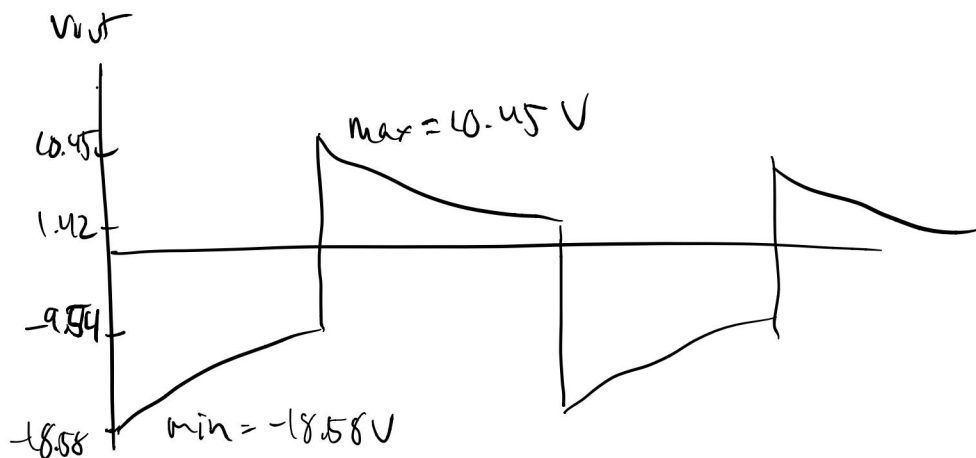
$$V_{out_L}(0+)e^{-\frac{2}{3}} = V_{out_L}(T-)$$

$$\begin{cases} V_{out_H}(0+) - V_{out_L}(T-) = 20 \\ V_{out_H}(T-) - V_{out_L}(0+) = 20 \\ V_{out_H}(0+) - e^{-\frac{2}{3}} V_{out_L}(0+) = 20 \\ V_{out_H}(0+)e^{-2} - V_{out_L}(0+) = 20 \end{cases}$$

$$e^{\frac{2}{3}} V_{out_H} - e^{-2} V_{out_H} = 20e^{\frac{2}{3}} - 20$$

$$V_{out_H} = 10.45 \rightarrow V_{out_H}(T-) = 1.42$$

$$V_{out_L}(T-) = -9.54 \rightarrow V_{out_L}(0+) = -18.58$$



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✓ - 0 pts Correct

Problem 3)

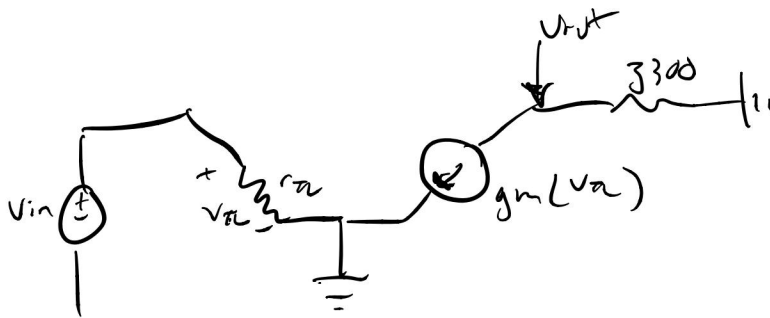
$$I_E = \left(\frac{V_{B12} + 10}{4700} \right) = 0.00198 \text{ A}$$

$$I_C = I_E \left(\frac{100}{101} \right) = 0.00196 \text{ A}$$

(sat current is 0.0025 so not saturated)

$$g_m = \frac{I_C}{V_T} = 0.075 \text{ S}$$

$$r_{\pi} = \frac{\beta}{g_m} = 1327.12 \Omega$$



$$v_{out} = -g_m(v_{in})(3300)$$

$$\frac{v_{out}}{v_{in}} = -g_m(3300) = 248.7$$

$$r_{in} = r_{\pi} = 1327.12 \Omega$$

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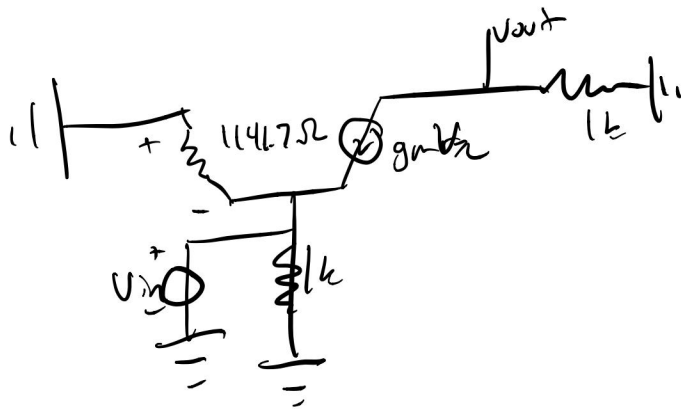
Problem 4.

$$I_E = \frac{3 - 0.7}{1000} = 0.0023 \text{ A}$$

$$I_C = \frac{100}{101} I_E = 0.00228 \text{ A} \quad (\text{set } I = 0.0045)$$

$$g_m = \frac{I_C}{V_T} = 0.0876 \text{ S}$$

$$r_e = r_z = \frac{\beta}{\beta + 1} \frac{1}{g_m} = 11.3 \Omega$$



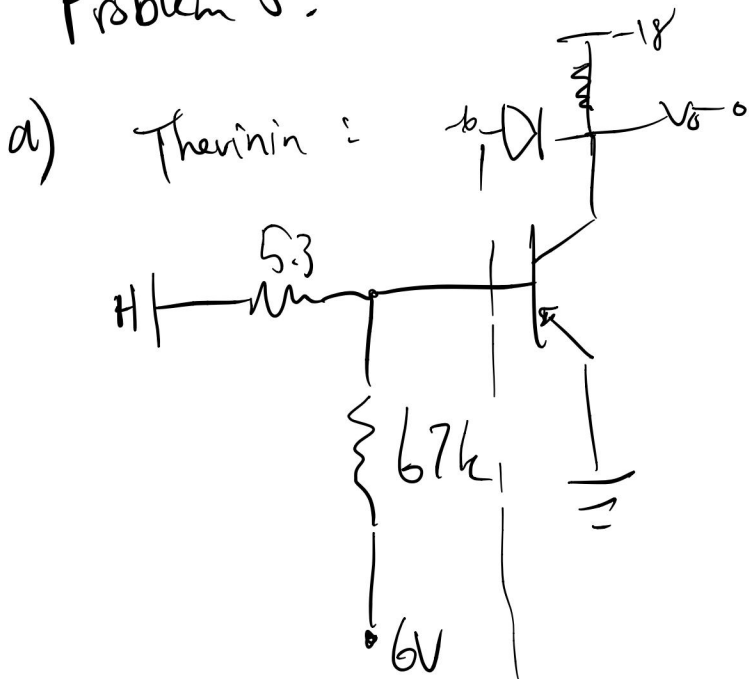
$$V_{out} = -g_m (V_{be}) (1000)$$

$$V_{be} = -V_{in}$$

$$\frac{V_{out}}{V_{in}} = g_m (1000)$$

$$\text{input impedance} = (1k) \parallel (11.3) = \boxed{11.17 \Omega}$$

Problem 5.



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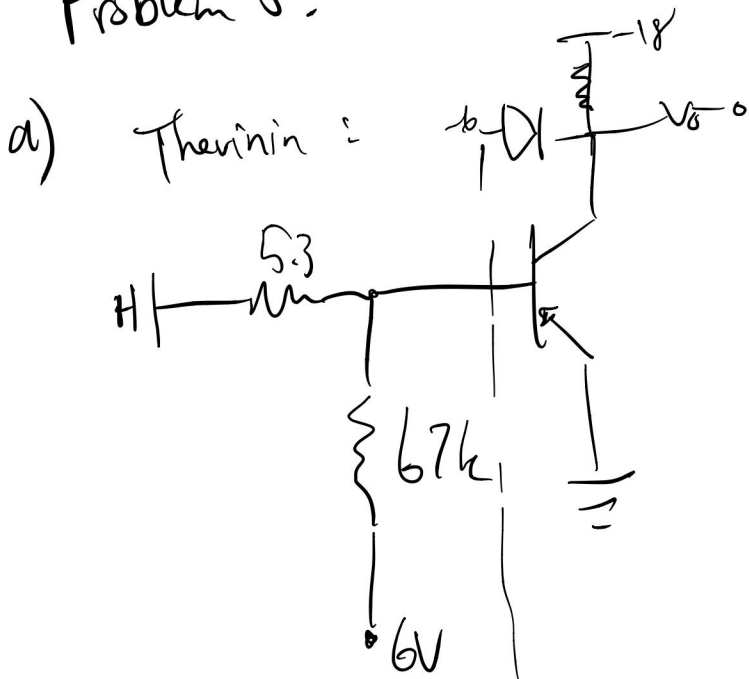
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as I_B has a really high input impedance.

Thus, $V_o = -6.7$.

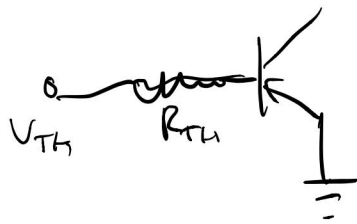
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$$\frac{-12}{67000 + 5300} (5.7k) - 6$$

$$V_{TH} = -5.12 \text{ V}$$

$$R_{TH} = 4911.5 \Omega$$



$$I_B = \frac{5.12 - 0.7}{4911.5} = 9 \times 10^{-4} \text{ A}$$

$$-18 + (2000)(\beta)(9 \times 10^{-4}) = 0$$

$$\beta = 10$$

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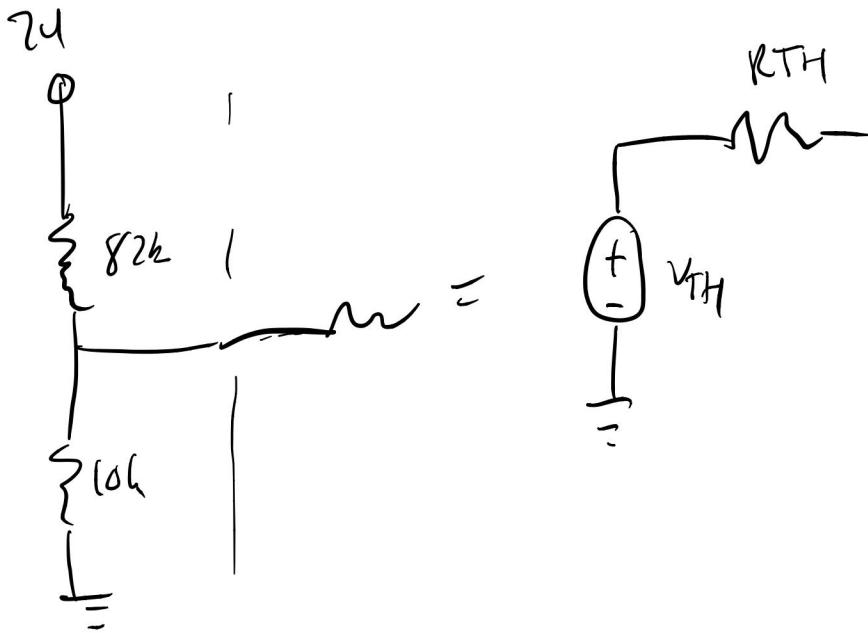
6)

$$\frac{V_{in}}{R} = I_S e^{-V_{out}/V_T}$$

$$V_{out} = -V_T \ln\left(\frac{V_{in}}{R I_S}\right)$$

7)

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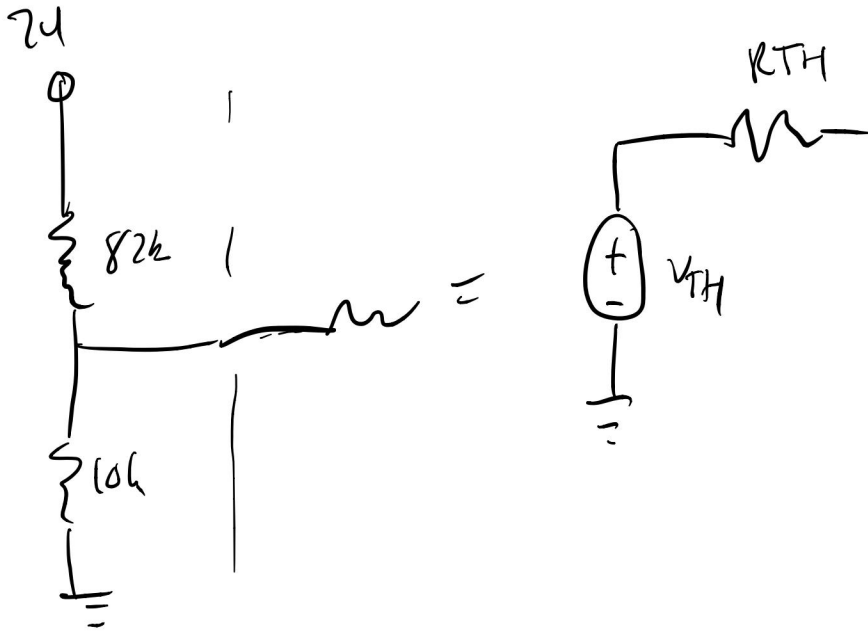
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$$V_{TH} = \frac{24}{8240} (10) = 2.6 \text{ V}$$

$$R_{TH} = 82k \parallel 10k = 8913 \Omega$$

$$2.6 - 0.7 - 0.7 = I_{B1} (8913) + I_{E2} (100)$$

$$I_{E2} = \beta I_{B2} = (101) \beta I_{B1}$$

$$1.2 = I_{B1} (8913 + \beta \beta I_{B1} \times 100)$$

$$I_{B1} = 2.28 \times 10^{-7} \text{ A}$$

$$I_{E2} = (101) \beta I_{B1} = 0.0012 \text{ A}$$

$$V_{E2} = 0.0012 \text{ A} \times 100 \Omega = 0.12 \text{ V}$$

$$V_{C2} = 24 \frac{50}{51} (0.0012) (1000) = 22.8 \text{ V}$$

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-9.5 Point adjustment