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Exam Duration : 50 min

Q1 a) A common emitter amplifier with $V_{CC} = 15\text{ V}$, $R_C = 3\text{ K}\Omega$, $R_E = 2\text{ K}\Omega$ is properly biased in the forward active mode. It is excited with a small signal such that $i_e = 2 \times 10^{-3} + 5 \times 10^{-3} \sin(\omega t)\text{ A}$. $\Rightarrow I_{CQ} = 2\text{ mA}$, $i_c = 50 \sin \omega t\ \mu\text{A}$
Given that $r_\pi = 2\text{ K}\Omega$, $\beta_{ac} = \beta_{dc}$ and $V_T = 25\text{ mV}$. Calculate

$$i_e = (1 + \beta_{ac}) i_b = \frac{\beta + 1}{\beta} i_c$$

$$\beta_{ac} = g_m r_\pi$$

$$g_m = \frac{I_{CQ}}{V_T} = \frac{2 \times 10^{-3}}{25 \times 10^{-3}} = 0.08\text{ A/V} = 80\text{ mA/V}$$

$$\beta_{ac} = 80 \times 10^{-3} \times 2 \times 10^3 = 160$$

$$i_e = \frac{160}{160} \times i_c = \frac{160}{160} \times 50 \sin \omega t\ \mu\text{A} = 50.3125 \sin \omega t\ \mu\text{A}$$

$$v_{be} = r_\pi i_b = r_\pi \frac{i_c}{\beta_{ac}} = \frac{2000 \times 5 \times 10^{-5} \sin \omega t}{160} = 6.25 \times 10^{-5} \sin \omega t\text{ V} = 0.625 \sin \omega t\text{ mV}$$

$$v_{ce} = -5 \times 10^3 \times 5 \times 10^{-5} \sin \omega t = -0.25 \sin \omega t\text{ V}$$

$$-V_{CC} + R_C I_{CQ} + V_{CEQ} + \frac{\beta + 1}{\beta} I_{CQ} R_E = 0$$

$$V_{CEQ} = 15 - 3 \times 2 - \frac{161}{160} 2 \times 2 \approx 5\text{ V} \approx 4.975\text{ V}$$

b) A common emitter amplifier with $R_1 \parallel R_2 = 50\text{ K}\Omega$, $R_C = 1.5\text{ K}\Omega$, $R_{E1} = 200\ \Omega$, $R_{E2} = 300\ \Omega$ and bypassed by a large capacitance, $R_s = 1\text{ K}\Omega$, $r_\pi = 2.5\text{ K}\Omega$, $r_o = \infty\ \Omega$, $V_{CC} = 9\text{ V}$, $I_{CQ} = 2\text{ mA}$, and $V_T = 25\text{ mV}$. Calculate the input resistance R_i

$$R_i = R_1 \parallel R_2 \parallel R_{ib} = 50 \parallel (2.5 + (1 + \beta_{ac}) R_{E1}) ; R_{ib} = 42.7\text{ K}\Omega$$

$$\beta_{ac} = g_m r_\pi = \frac{2}{25} \times 2500 = 200 \Rightarrow R_i = 50 \parallel (2.5 + 201 \times 0.2) = 50 \parallel 42.7 \approx 23.031\text{ K}\Omega \approx 23\text{ K}\Omega$$

the exact voltage gain

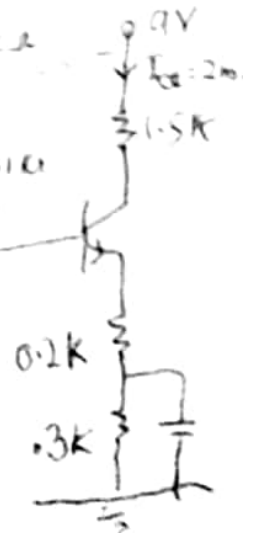
$$A_v = \frac{-\beta R_C}{r_\pi + (1 + \beta) R_{E1}} \frac{R_i}{R_i + R_s} = \frac{-200 \times 1.5}{42.7} \times \frac{23}{24} = -6.733$$

the approximate voltage gain

$$A_v \approx -\frac{R_C}{R_{E1}} = \frac{-1.5}{0.2} = -7.5$$

the value of V_{CEQ}

$$V_{CEQ} = V_{CC} - (R_C + R_{E1} + R_{E2}) I_{CQ} \left(\frac{1 + \beta}{\beta} \right) = 9 - 2 \times 2 \times 1 = 5\text{ V} \approx 4.975\text{ V}$$



Q2 a) Draw the small signal low frequency equivalent circuit of a common collector (emitter follower) amplifier, assuming $R_1 \parallel R_2$ is infinitely ohm, R_s is finite, and $r_o = \infty$.

Derive the output resistance

$$R_o = \frac{V_x}{I_x}$$

$$I_x + g_m V_{\pi} = \frac{V_x}{R_E} + \frac{V_x}{r_{\pi} + R_s}$$

$$V_{\pi} = -\frac{r_{\pi}}{R_s + r_{\pi}} V_x$$

$$\therefore I_x = \left(\frac{g_m r_{\pi}}{R_s + r_{\pi}} + \frac{1}{r_{\pi} + R_s} + \frac{1}{R_E} \right) V_x$$

$$\frac{I_x}{V_x} = \frac{1}{R_o} = \frac{1 + \beta}{r_{\pi} + R_s} + \frac{1}{R_E}$$

$$\therefore R_o = \frac{r_{\pi} + R_s}{1 + \beta} \parallel R_E$$

$$= \frac{R_E (r_{\pi} + R_s)}{\frac{r_{\pi} + R_s}{1 + \beta} + R_E} = \frac{R_E (r_{\pi} + R_s)}{r_{\pi} + R_s + (1 + \beta) R_E}$$



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b) Draw a two transistor common emitter amplifier circuit employing an active load. The circuit is biased by an independent current source I_E and a base resistance R_B together with any needed voltage sources.

Given that $I_E = 2 \text{ mA}$, $\beta_{dc} = \beta_{ac} = 99$, $V_T = 25 \text{ mV}$, and $V_A = 396 \text{ V}$, calculate the small signal voltage gain, given that $r_o = 150 \text{ k}\Omega$.

$$A_v = -g_m (r_o \parallel R_C) ; I_{CQ} = 1.98 \text{ mA}$$

$$g_m = \frac{I_{CQ}}{V_T} = \frac{\beta}{1 + \beta} \frac{I_E}{V_T} = \frac{99}{100} \times \frac{2}{25} = 0.0792 \text{ A/V} = 79.2 \text{ mA/V}$$

$$r_o = \frac{V_A}{I_{CQ}} = \frac{396}{1.98 \text{ mA}} = 200 \text{ k}\Omega$$

hence

$$A_v = -79.2 (200 \parallel 150)$$

$$= -79.2 \times 85.7$$

$$= -6788.5$$

