

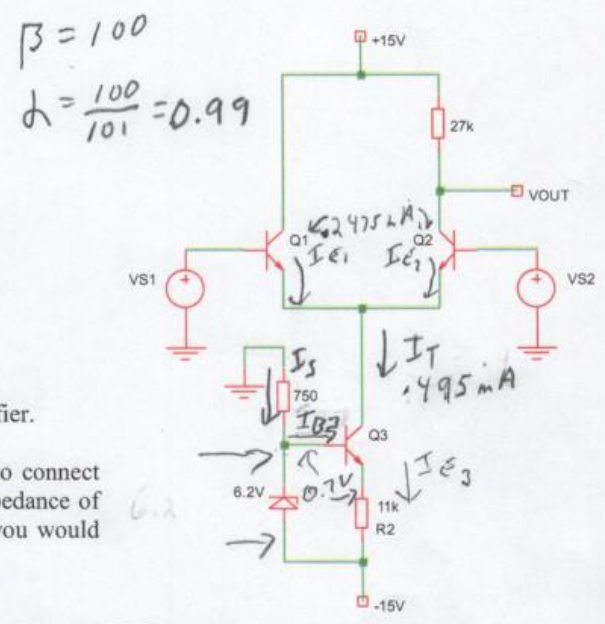
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**Problem #1: Differential amplifier analysis (15 pts)**

Consider the differential amplifier shown to the right. The power supplies are +/-15V, and the current source uses a 6.2V zener. Assume  $\beta = 100$  and  $V_{BE} = 0.7V$  for all transistors. Assume Q3 has  $V_A = 120V$ . The inputs are  $V_{S1} = 2.01V$  and  $V_{S2} = 2.05V$ .

- Compute the tail current  $I_T$ .
- Compute the differential gain  $A_d$ .
- Compute the common mode gain  $A_{CM}$ .
- Compute the CMRR of your amplifier.
- Compute the output voltage  $V_{OUT}$  of your amplifier.
- Suppose you want to use capacitive coupling to connect  $V_{OUT}$  to another amplifier that has an input impedance of  $2k\Omega$ . What value capacitor would you use if you would like the low frequency cut-off to be 100 Hz?



a) Assume  $I_T > 10 \text{ mA}$

$$I_{E3} = \frac{6.02 - 0.7}{11k} = \boxed{.05 \text{ mA}}$$

Now check zener  $I_Z = I_S - I_D = \frac{15 - 6.2}{750\Omega} - \frac{.5 \text{ mA}}{101} = 11.73 \mu\text{A}$

b)  $A_d = \frac{dR_C}{2r_{e'}} ; r_{e1}' = r_{e2}' = \frac{.026}{\frac{1}{2}I_T} = \frac{.026}{\frac{1}{2}(.495 \text{ mA})} = 105 \Omega$

$$A_d = \frac{(0.99)(27k)}{(2)(105\Omega)} = \boxed{127.3}$$

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$$c) A_{CM} = \frac{\Delta R_c}{\Delta R_{out}} \Rightarrow \text{need } R_{out} = r_o \left[ 1 + \beta \frac{R_2}{R_2 + (\beta + 1)r_e'} \right] \quad \text{for } Q_3$$

need  $R_{out}$

$$r_o = \frac{V_A}{I_{C3}} = \frac{120V}{.495mA} = 242.4k$$
$$r_e' = \frac{0.26}{I_{E3}} = \frac{.026}{.5mA} = 52 \Omega$$

$$R_{out} = (242.4k) \left[ 1 + 100 \frac{11k}{11k + (101)(52)} \right] = 166494$$
$$A_{CM} = \frac{(0.99)(27k)}{(2)(166494)} = 8 \times 10^{-4}$$

$$d) CMRR = 20 \log_{10} \frac{A_d}{A_{CM}} = 20 \log_{10} \left( \frac{127.3}{8 \times 10^{-4}} \right) = 104dB$$

$$e) V_{out} = V_{CQ} + \Delta V_{out} = \Delta V_{out} = \Delta V_{in} A_d + V_{CM} A_{CM}$$
$$\Delta V_{in} = 2.01 - 2.05 = -0.04V; V_{CM} = \frac{2.01 + 2.05}{2} = 2.03V$$

$$\Delta V_{out} = (127.3)(-0.04V) + (8 \times 10^{-4})(2.03V) = -5.09V$$

$$V_{CQ} = 15 - (0.99) \left( \frac{1}{2} \right) (.495mA)(27k) = 8.384V$$

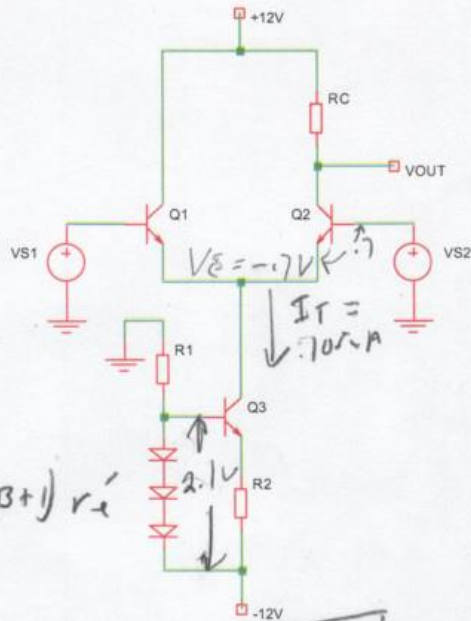
$$V_{out} = 8.384 - 5.090 = 3.294V$$

$$f) f_c = \frac{1}{2\pi R_c C_{out}} \Rightarrow C_{out} = \frac{1}{(2\pi)(2000)(100)}$$
$$C_{out} = 7.96 \times 10^{-7} F = .796 \mu F \quad \text{Choose } 82 \mu F$$

## Problem #2: Differential amplifier design (15 pts)

Design a differential amplifier with current source biasing. The input impedance should be  $R_{in} \geq 100 \text{ kohm}$  and a differential gain  $A_d \geq 120$ . Use three forward-biased diodes for the current source. Assume  $\beta = 100$  and  $V_{BE} = 0.7 \text{ V}$  for all transistors. Assume Q3 has  $V_A = 120 \text{ V}$ . Use standard 5% resistor values (see chart on page 5).

- Compute the maximum allowed tail current  $I_T$ .
- Choose the proper  $R_2$  and compute your actual tail current.
- Choose the proper  $R_1$  to bias the three diodes.
- Choose the proper  $R_C$  and compute your actual gain  $A_d$ .
- What is the maximum peak-to-peak output voltage swing without clipping?



a)  $R_{in} \geq 100 \text{ k}\Omega$  and  $R_{in} = 2(\beta+1)r_e'$

$$r_e' \geq \frac{100 \text{ k}\Omega}{2(101)} = 495 \Omega$$

$$\frac{0.026}{\frac{1}{2} I_T} \geq 495 \Omega \implies I_T \leq \boxed{0.105 \text{ mA}}$$

b) Assume  $I_2 \geq 10 \text{ }\mu\text{A}$

$$I_{E3} = \frac{2.1 - 0.7}{R_2} \implies I_T = \alpha I_3$$

$$\text{and } 0.99 \frac{1.4}{R_2} \leq 0.105 \text{ mA}$$

$$\boxed{R_2 \geq 12.2 \text{ k}\Omega} \quad \boxed{\text{Choose } 15 \text{ k}\Omega}$$

$$\text{Calculate actual } I_T = 0.99 \frac{1.4}{15 \text{ k}\Omega} = \boxed{0.0924 \text{ mA}}$$

c) Calculate  $R_2$

$$\text{need } I_D = I_S - I_B \geq 1 \text{ mA}$$



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Then  $I_D$

$$\frac{12 - 2.1}{R_1} \geq 1 \text{ mA} + \frac{I_C}{\beta} = 1 \text{ mA} + \frac{0.924 \text{ mA}}{100} = 1.001 \text{ mA}$$

and  $R_1 \leq \frac{9.9 \text{ V}}{1.001 \text{ mA}} = 9.89 \text{ k}\Omega$  choose  $R_1 = 9.14 \text{ k}\Omega$

d) Find a value for  $R_C$  to give  $A_d \geq 120$

$A_d = \frac{g_m R_C}{2 r_e} = \text{need } r_e = \frac{0.026}{\frac{1}{51}} = 0.026 \text{ V}$

$$r_e = \frac{0.026 \text{ V}}{(51)(0.924 \text{ mA})} = 563.2$$

$$= \frac{g_m R_C}{2 r_e} \geq 120 \Rightarrow R_C = \frac{(120)(2)(563)}{0.99} = 136.5 \text{ k}\Omega$$

choose 150 k

check actual  $A_d = \frac{(0.99)(150 \text{ k})}{(2)(563)} = 131.904$

e) Find maximum, undistorted, output -pk-pk output "swings" about and below  $V_{CE}$

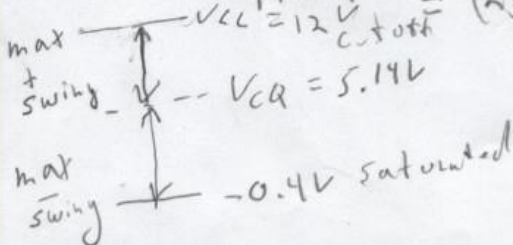
$$V_{CE} = 12 - (0.99)(51)(0.924 \text{ mA})(150 \text{ k}) = 5.14 \text{ V}$$

$$\text{Max positive swing} = 12 - 5.14 = 6.86 \text{ V}$$

$$\text{Max Neg swing} = 5.14 - (-0.7 + 0.3 \text{ V}) = 5.54 \text{ V}$$

$$\text{Max peak-to-peak output swing} = (2)(5.54) = 11.08 \text{ V}_{\text{pk-pk}}$$

\* assume  $V_{CE, \text{sat}} = 0.3$



Standard Resistor Values ( $\pm 5\%$ )						
1.0	10	100	1.0K	10K	100K	1.0M
1.1	11	110	1.1K	11K	110K	1.1M
1.2	12	120	1.2K	12K	120K	1.2M
1.3	13	130	1.3K	13K	130K	1.3M
1.5	15	150	1.5K	15K	150K	1.5M
1.6	16	160	1.6K	16K	160K	1.6M
1.8	18	180	1.8K	18K	180K	1.8M
2.0	20	200	2.0K	20K	200K	2.0M
2.2	22	220	2.2K	22K	220K	2.2M
2.4	24	240	2.4K	24K	240K	2.4M
2.7	27	270	2.7K	27K	270K	2.7M
3.0	30	300	3.0K	30K	300K	3.0M
3.3	33	330	3.3K	33K	330K	3.3M
3.6	36	360	3.6K	36K	360K	3.6M
3.9	39	390	3.9K	39K	390K	3.9M
4.3	43	430	4.3K	43K	430K	4.3M
4.7	47	470	4.7K	47K	470K	4.7M
5.1	51	510	5.1K	51K	510K	5.1M
5.6	56	560	5.6K	56K	560K	5.6M
6.2	62	620	6.2K	62K	620K	6.2M
6.8	68	680	6.8K	68K	680K	6.8M
7.5	75	750	7.5K	75K	750K	7.5M
8.2	82	820	8.2K	82K	820K	8.2M
9.1	91	910	9.1K	91K	910K	9.1M

Standard Capacitor Values ( $\pm 10\%$ )						
10pF	100pF	1000pF	.010 $\mu$ F	.10 $\mu$ F	1.0 $\mu$ F	10 $\mu$ F
12pF	120pF	1200pF	.012 $\mu$ F	.12 $\mu$ F	1.2 $\mu$ F	
15pF	150pF	1500pF	.015 $\mu$ F	.15 $\mu$ F	1.5 $\mu$ F	
18pF	180pF	1800pF	.018 $\mu$ F	.18 $\mu$ F	1.8 $\mu$ F	
22pF	220pF	2200pF	.022 $\mu$ F	.22 $\mu$ F	2.2 $\mu$ F	22 $\mu$ F
27pF	270pF	2700pF	.027 $\mu$ F	.27 $\mu$ F	2.7 $\mu$ F	
33pF	330pF	3300pF	.033 $\mu$ F	.33 $\mu$ F	3.3 $\mu$ F	33 $\mu$ F
39pF	390pF	3900pF	.039 $\mu$ F	.39 $\mu$ F	3.9 $\mu$ F	
47pF	470pF	4700pF	.047 $\mu$ F	.47 $\mu$ F	4.7 $\mu$ F	47 $\mu$ F
56pF	560pF	5600pF	.056 $\mu$ F	.56 $\mu$ F	5.6 $\mu$ F	
68pF	680pF	6800pF	.068 $\mu$ F	.68 $\mu$ F	6.8 $\mu$ F	
82pF	820pF	8200pF	.082 $\mu$ F	.82 $\mu$ F	8.2 $\mu$ F	