

Mid-Term Exam, ECE-137B
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Closed-Book Exam

There are 2 problems on this exam , and you have 75 minutes.

- 1) show all work. Full credit will not be given for correct answers if supporting work is not shown.
- 2) please write answers in provided blanks
- 3) Don't Panic !
- 4) 137a, 137b crib sheets, and 2 pages personal sheets permitted.

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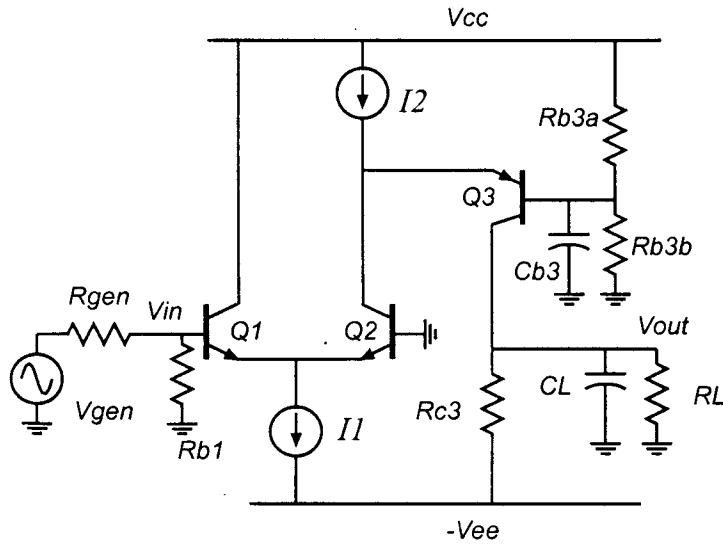
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Solution

Use any and all reasonable approximations. 5% accuracy is OK if the method is correct.

Time function	LaPlace Transform
$\delta(t)$	1
$U(t)$	$1/s$
$e^{-\alpha t}U(t)$	$\frac{1}{s + \alpha}$
$e^{-\alpha t} \cos(\omega_d t)U(t)$	$\frac{s + \alpha}{(s + \alpha)^2 + \omega_d^2}$
$e^{-\alpha t} \sin(\omega_d t)U(t)$	$\frac{\omega_d}{(s + \alpha)^2 + \omega_d^2}$

Problem 1, 62 points



A very broadband DC-coupled amplifier.

Transistor parameters:
 $C_{cb}=2$ pF, $\beta=\infty$,
 $V_a=\infty$
 $\tau_f=0.2$ ns
 $C_{be,depl}=1$ pF

$R_L=100$ Ohm
 $R_{gen}=100$ Ohms= R_{b1}
 $C_L=5$ pF.

$V_{cc}=7.5$ Volts,
 $-V_{ee}=-7.5$ volts

a) 5 points

Q1 and Q2 are to each operate at 7.5 mA emitter current. Q3 is to operate at 10 mA. The emitter of Q3 is to be biased at +5 volts. The current through Rb3b is 3 mA. The DC output voltage is zero volts

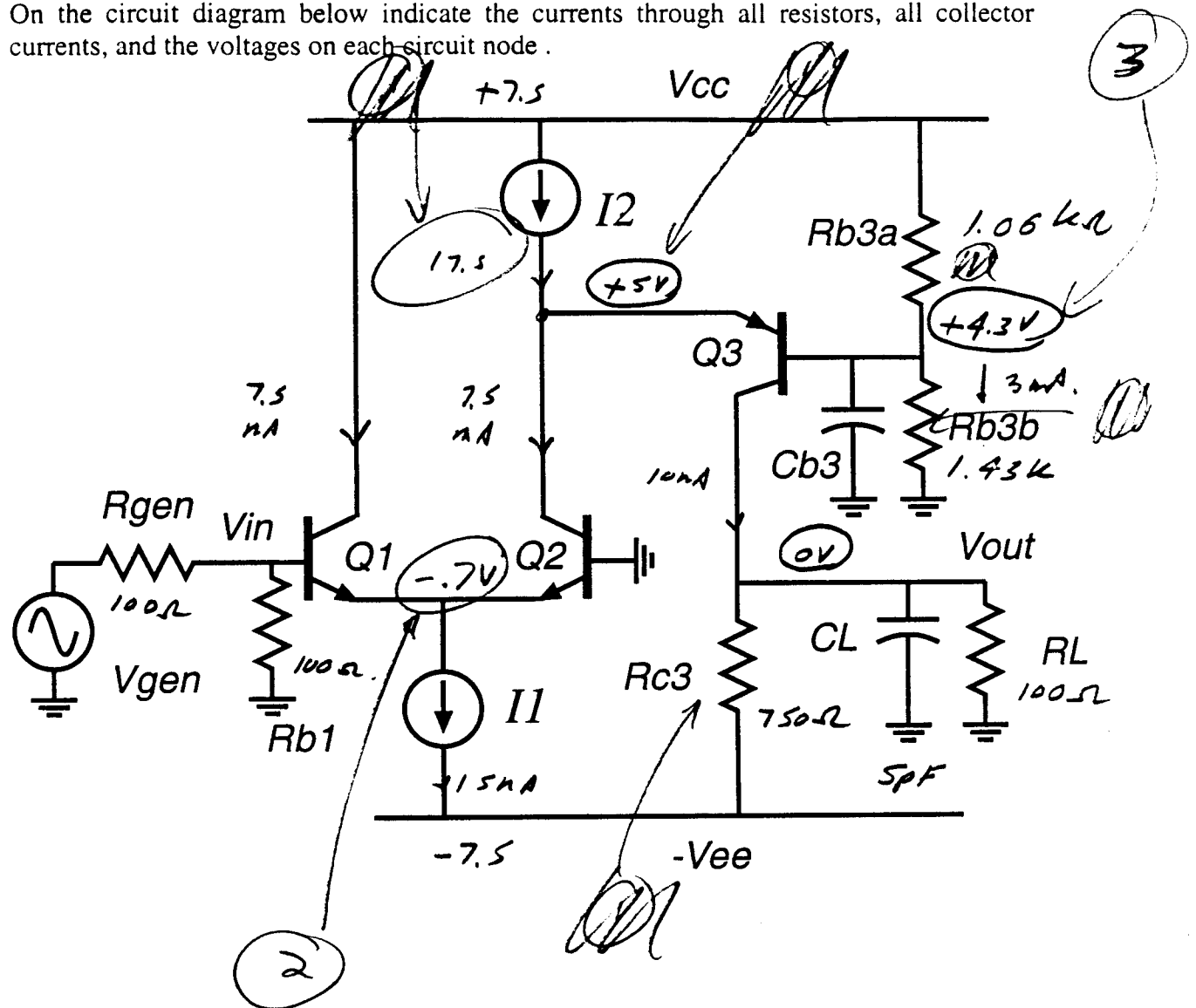
. Find I1, I2, Rb3a, Rb3b, Rc3

$$I1 = \underline{15 \text{ mA}} \quad \textcircled{1} \quad I2 = \underline{17.5 \text{ mA}} \quad \textcircled{1}$$

$$Rb3a = \underline{1.06 \text{ k}\Omega} \quad \textcircled{1} \quad Rb3b = \underline{1.43 \text{ k}\Omega} \quad \textcircled{1} \quad Rc3 = \underline{750 \Omega} \quad \textcircled{1}$$

b) 5 points

On the circuit diagram below indicate the currents through all resistors, all collector currents, and the voltages on each circuit node.



$V_A = \infty$
 $\beta = \infty$
 $\tau_f = 0.2$ ns
 $C_{redpl.} = 1$ pF
 $C_{cb} = 2$ pF

b) 15 points

Find the mid-band amplifier parameters below

$V_{out}/V_{in} = 12.73$ (1) $V_{out}/V_{gen} = 6.36$ (1)
 $R_{in, amplifier} = 100\Omega$ (1), $R_{out, amplifier} = 750\Omega$ (1)
voltage gain of Q1 = $1/2$ (1)
voltage gain of Q2 = 0.75 (1)
voltage gain of Q3 = 33.94 (1)
Input impedance of Q2 = 3.47Ω (1)
Input impedance of Q3 = 2.6Ω (1)

Q3 $R_{eq} = 100\Omega // 750\Omega = 88.24\Omega$
 $r_{e3} = 26/10 = 2.6\Omega$
 $A_{v3} = R_{eq} / r_{e3} = 33.94$

Q2 $R_{eq} = r_{e3} = 2.6\Omega$ (1)
 $r_{e2} = 26/7.5 = 3.47\Omega$
 $A_v = 2.6 / 3.47 = 0.75$ (1)

Q1: $R_{eq} = r_{e2} = 3.47\Omega$ (1)
 $r_{e1} = 3.47\Omega$
 $A_v = 1/2$

A. $V_o/V_{in} = 12.73$

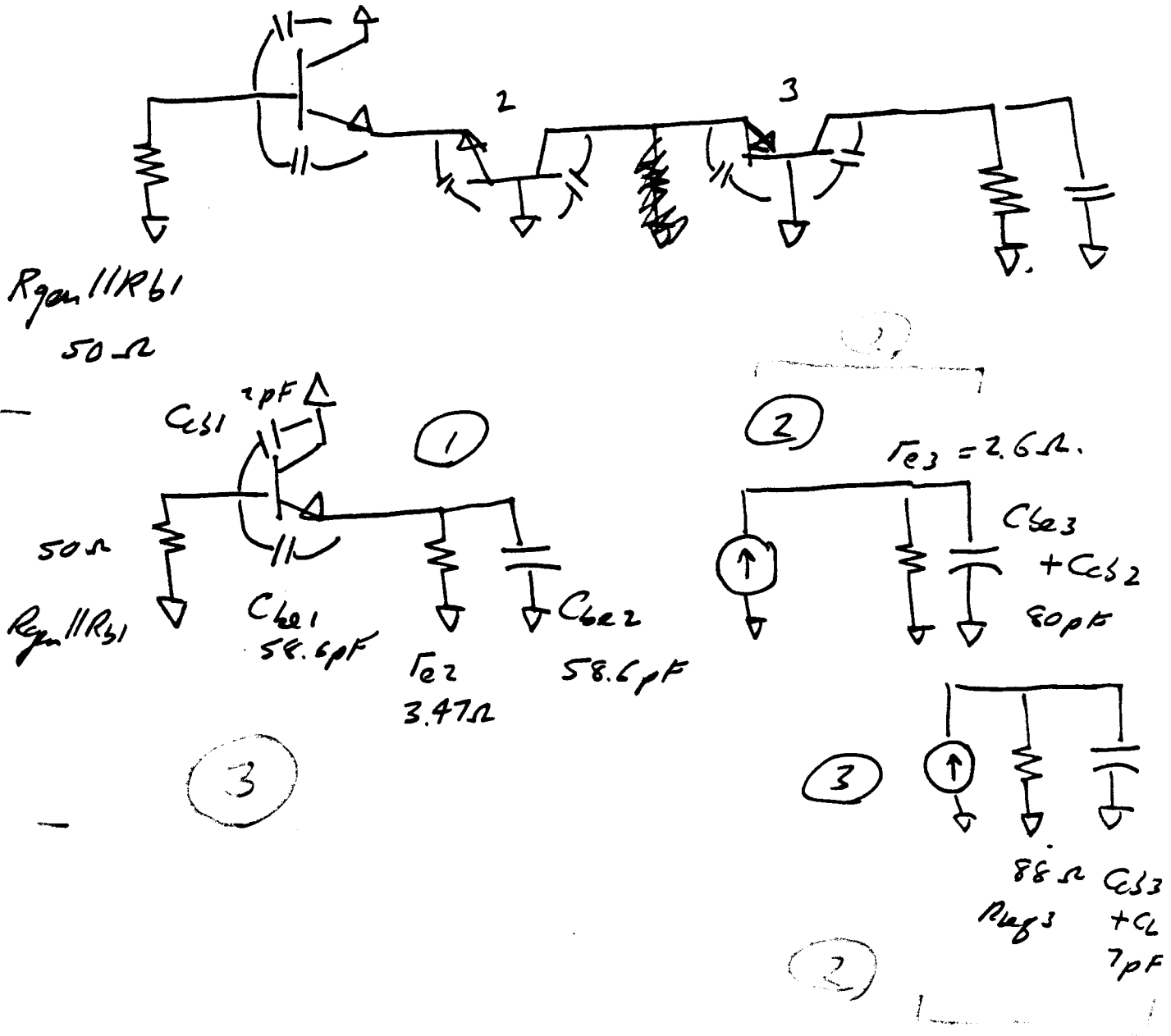
(1) $V_o/V_{gen} = 12.73/2$

d) 20 points

High-frequency response. Calculate the gain-frequency characteristics of the amplifier: give an expression for $V_{out}(s)/V_{gen}(s)$.

Give all pole frequencies and zero frequencies (in Hz).

Do NOT use the node-by node Miller Approximations. Use either MOTC or the results we have derived from Nodal analysis of single-stage amplifiers *This part should not take an hour, so choose your analytic method sensibly. Please note that the circuit has separation points; this simplifies analysis considerably.*



FIRST PART The emitter follower.

$$\begin{aligned} \tau_{e1} &= C_{be1} \left[(R_{eq} \parallel R_{b1}) (1 - A_{v1}) + r_{e1} \parallel r_{e2} \right] \\ &\quad + C_{c1} \cdot R_{eq} \parallel R_{b1} + C_{be2} [r_{e2} \parallel r_{e1}] \\ &= 59 \text{ pF} (25 \Omega + 1.73 \Omega) + 2 \text{ pF} (50 \Omega) \\ &\quad + 59 \text{ pF} (1.73 \Omega) \\ &= 1.78 \text{ ns} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \tau_{e2} &= 50 \Omega \cdot C_{c1} C_{be2} \cdot 1.73 \Omega + 50 \Omega \cdot C_{c1} \cdot C_{be1} (r_{e1} \parallel r_{e2}) \\ &\quad + 1.73 \Omega \cdot C_{be2} \cdot C_{be1} \cdot 50 \Omega \\ &= 50 \Omega \cdot 1.73 \Omega [C_{be1} \cdot C_{c1} + C_{be1} C_{be2} + C_{be2} C_{c1}] \\ &= 3.17 (10^{-19}) \text{ sec}^2 \end{aligned}$$

USE SPA: $f_{p1} = \frac{0.159}{\tau_{e1}} = 89.3 \text{ MHz}$

$f_{p2} = \frac{0.159}{\tau_{e2}} = 892 \text{ MHz}$ OK!

$f_{p3} = \frac{0.159}{C_{be1} r_{e1}} = 782 \text{ MHz}$

Part 2 $f_{p2} = \frac{0.159}{2.6 \Omega (80 \text{ pF})} = 764 \text{ MHz}$ ①

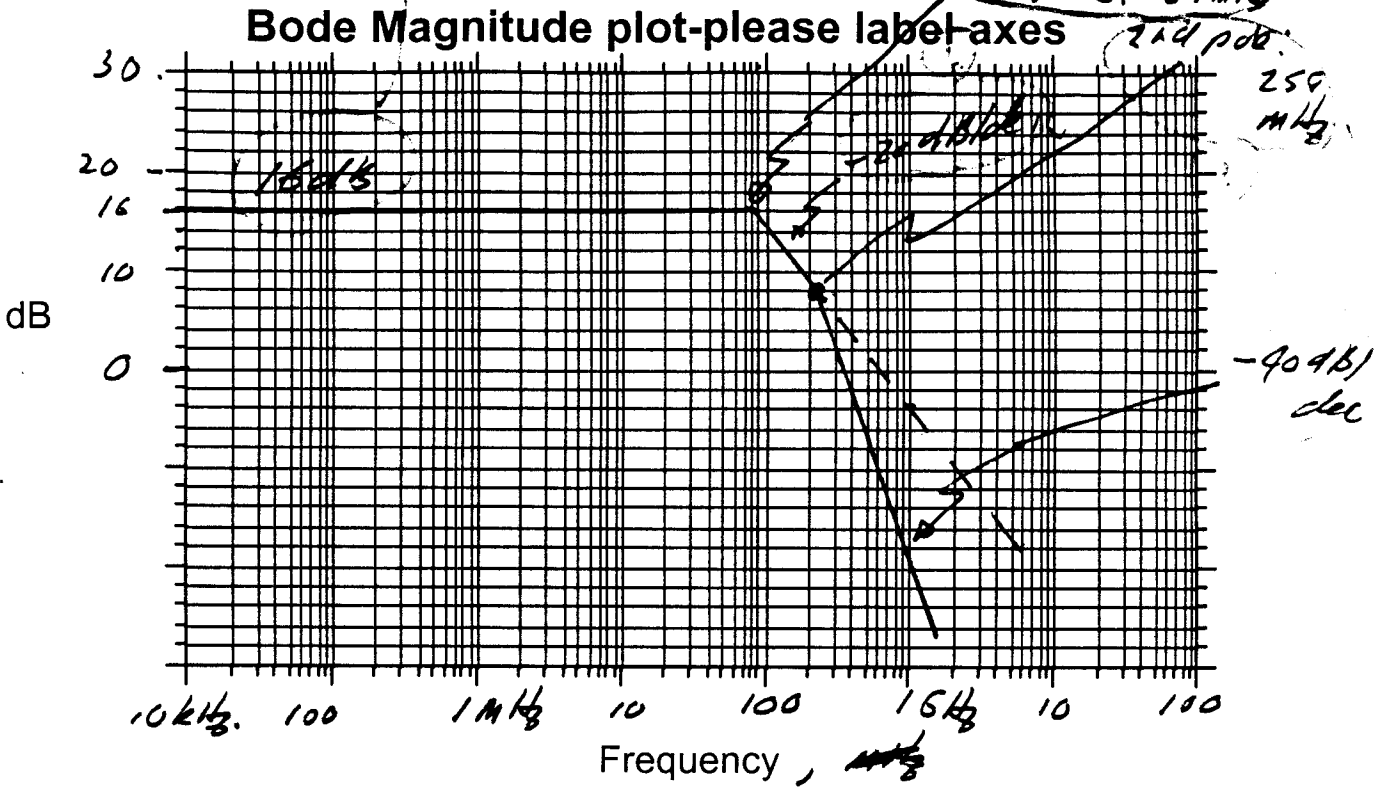
Part 3: $f_{p3} = \frac{0.159}{88 \Omega (7 \text{ pF})} = 258 \text{ MHz}$ ②

e) 12 points

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$V_o / V_{gen} = 6.36 = 16.1 \text{ dB}$

1st pole: 89 MHz



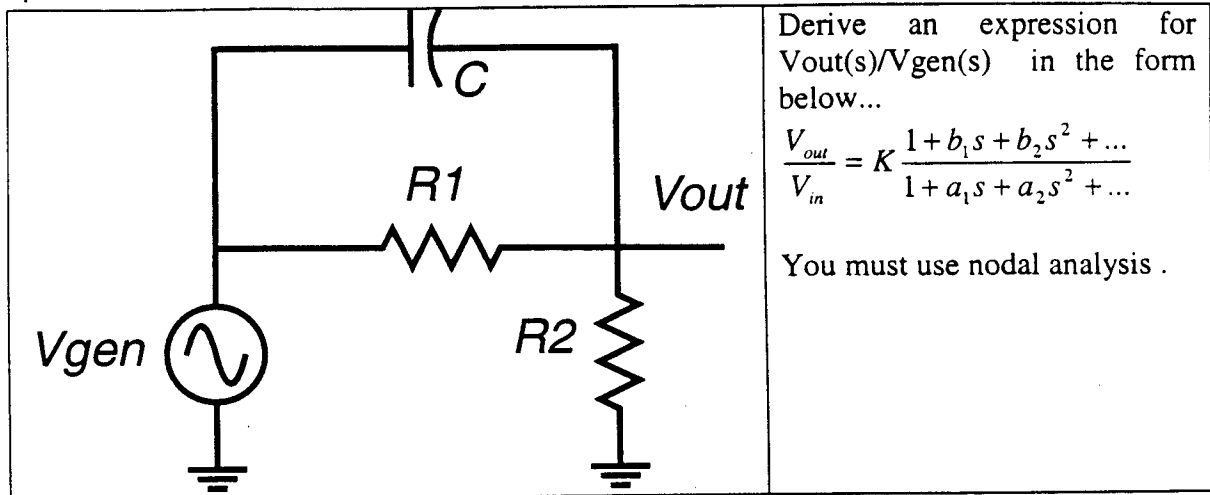
Draw a Bode Plot (Straight-line asymptotes) of the amplifier transfer function V_{out}/V_{gen} , labeling all pole and zero frequencies and labeling the slopes of all asymptotes. **TO keep the plot manageable, include only the 2 lowest-frequency poles in the transfer function**

poles are $\frac{89.3}{2.58}$, 892 MHz
764

zero @ 782 MHz

Problem 2, 38 points

Part a 15 points



Derive an expression for $V_{out}(s)/V_{gen}(s)$ in the form below...

$$\frac{V_{out}}{V_{in}} = K \frac{1 + b_1 s + b_2 s^2 + \dots}{1 + a_1 s + a_2 s^2 + \dots}$$

You must use nodal analysis.

$$V_{out}(s)/V_{gen}(s) = \left(\frac{R_2}{R_1 + R_2} \right) \left(\frac{1 + sR_1 C}{1 + s[R_1 || R_2] C} \right)$$

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$$\frac{V_o}{R_2} + \frac{V_o - V_g}{R_1} + \frac{V_o - V_g}{\frac{1}{sC}} = 0 \quad \frac{V_{gen} - V_o}{R_1} + \frac{V_{gen} - V_o}{\frac{1}{sC}} = 0$$

$$V_o R_1 \cdot \frac{1}{sC} + (V_o - V_g) \left(R_2 \cdot \frac{1}{sC} \right) + (V_o - V_g) (R_1 R_2) = 0$$

$$V_o R_1 \frac{1}{sC} + V_o R_2 \frac{1}{sC} - V_g R_2 \frac{1}{sC} + V_o R_1 R_2 - V_g R_1 R_2 = 0$$

$$V_o \left(R_1 \frac{1}{sC} + R_2 \frac{1}{sC} + R_1 R_2 \right) = V_g \left(R_2 \frac{1}{sC} + R_1 R_2 \right)$$

$$\frac{V_o}{V_g} = \frac{R_2 \frac{1}{sC} + R_1 R_2}{R_1 \frac{1}{sC} + R_2 \frac{1}{sC} + R_1 R_2} = \frac{R_2 + R_1 R_2 sC}{R_1 + R_2 + sC R_1 R_2}$$

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$$\boxed{\frac{R_2 (1 + sR_1 C)}{(R_1 + R_2) (1 + s[R_1 || R_2] C)}}$$

Part b) 10 points

We have the following values: $R_1=R_2=7\text{ k}\Omega$, $C=0.3\text{ }\mu\text{F}$

Give all the pole frequencies and all the zero frequencies, using units of Hz.

pole frequencies = 151 Hz

zero frequencies = 75.7 Hz

$$\frac{V_o}{V_g} = \left(\frac{R_2}{R_1 + R_2} \right) \left(\frac{1 + sR_1C}{1 + s[R_1 \parallel R_2]C} \right)$$

$$R_1 \parallel R_2 = 3500\ \Omega$$

$$= .5 \left(\frac{1 + .00215s}{1 + .00105s} \right)$$

$$\tau_{\text{pole}} = .00105\text{ s} \Rightarrow \frac{1}{2\pi\tau_p} = \boxed{151\text{ Hz}} \quad (3)$$

$$\tau_{\text{zero}} = .0021\text{ s} \Rightarrow \frac{1}{2\pi\tau_z} = \boxed{75.7\text{ Hz}} \quad (3)$$

Part c) 13 points

Now calculate $V_{out}(t)$ for

$V_{gen}(t) = 5 \text{ Volts} * U(t)$,

where $U(t)$ is the unit step-function.

Graph on the chart below, giving units and labeling axes. Clearly label initial and final values, and charging time-constants.

$$V_{out}(t) = \frac{V_o}{s} = \frac{5(s)}{s} \left(\frac{1 + .0021s}{1 + .00105s} \right) = \frac{2.5}{s} \left(\frac{1 + .0021s}{1 + .00105s} \right)$$

$$\textcircled{3} \left[\frac{V_o}{s} = \frac{5(s)}{s} \left(\frac{1 + .0021s}{1 + .00105s} \right) = \frac{2.5}{s} \left(\frac{1 + .0021s}{1 + .00105s} \right) \right.$$

$$= \frac{952 \cdot 2.5}{476 s} \frac{(476 + s)}{(952 + s)} = \frac{5}{s} \left(\frac{s + 476}{s + 952} \right)$$

$$\textcircled{3} \left[= \frac{A}{s} + \frac{B}{s + 952} \right.$$

$$s=0 \quad A = 5 \left(\frac{0 + 476}{0 + 952} \right)$$

$$A = 2.5$$

$$s = -952 \quad B = \frac{5}{s} (s + 476)$$

$$B = 2.5$$

$$\textcircled{2} \left[\frac{V_o}{s} = \frac{2.5}{s} + \frac{2.5}{s + 952} \right. \xrightarrow{\text{Inverse LaPlace}}$$

$$\boxed{2.5 u(t) + 2.5 e^{-952t} u(t)}$$

$$\textcircled{3} \left[= \left[2.5 + 2.5 e^{-\frac{t}{1.05ms}} \right] u(t) \right]$$

