

# ECE 2C Final Exam

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There are 4 problems on this exam, and you have 3 hours.

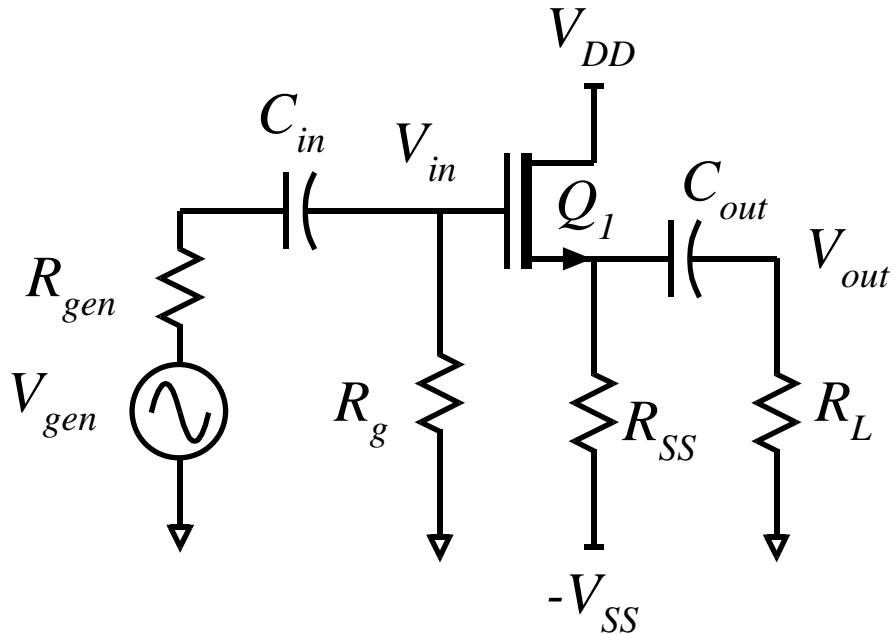
Use any and all reasonable approximations (5% accuracy is fine. ) , ***AFTER STATING and approximately Justifying them.***

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

Problem	Points Received	Points Possible
1a		5
1b		5
1c		5
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4b		5
4c		5
4d		5
4e		5
4f		10
total		155

**Problem 1, 40 points**

You will be working on the circuit below:



Q1 is a mobility-limited FET, i.e.  $I_d = (\mu C_{ox} W_g / 2L_g)(V_{gs} - V_{th})^2(1 + \lambda V_{ds})$  where  $(\mu C_{ox} W_g / 2L_g) = 4 \text{ mA/V}^2$ ,  $\lambda = 0.1 \text{ V}^{-1}$ , and  $V_{th} = 0.2 \text{ V}$ .

+Vcc= +2.0 volts, -Vss= -2 Volts

Cin1 and Cout are very big and have negligible AC impedance.

RL=10 kOhm

Rgen=1 MOhm, Rg=10 MOhm

Part a, 5 points

DC bias.

Q1 is to be biased with 1 mA drain current.

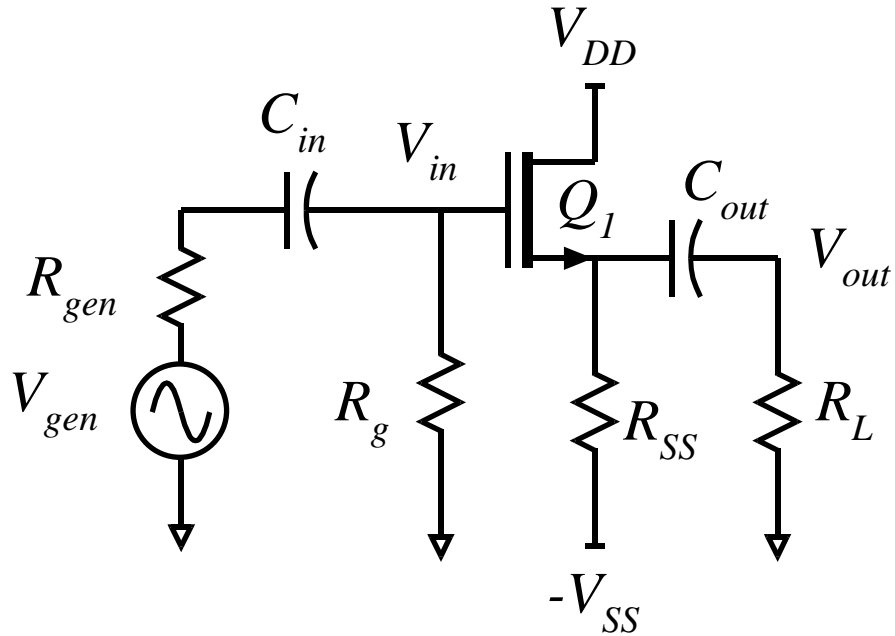
Ignore  $\lambda$  while solving this part.

Find:  $R_{ss} = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$

The DC voltage at the source of Q1.  $= \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$

Part b, 5 points

DC bias



On the circuit diagram above, label the DC voltages at **ALL nodes** and the DC currents through **ALL resistors**

Part c, 5 points

Find the small signal parameters of Q1. Use the constant-mobility model.

$g_m =$  \_\_\_\_\_

$R_{ds} =$  \_\_\_\_\_

Part d, 5 points

Replacing the transistor with its small-signal model, draw a small-signal equivalent circuit diagram for the amplifier. Give values for all elements on the diagram.

Part e, 5 points.

Find the small signal voltage gain ( $V_{out}/V_{in}$ ) of Q1.

$V_{out}/V_{in} = \underline{\hspace{10em}}$

Part f, 5 points

Find the \*\*\* amplifier \*\*\* input resistance,  $V_{in}/V_{gen}$ , and  $V_{out}/V_{gen}$

$R_{in, amplifier} =$  \_\_\_\_\_

$V_{in}/V_{gen} =$  \_\_\_\_\_

$(V_{out}/V_{gen}) =$  \_\_\_\_\_



Part g. 10 points

Now you must find the maximum signal swings. Find the output voltage due to the knee voltage and due to cutoff in Q1.

Cutoff of Q1; Maximum  $\Delta V_{out}$  resulting = \_\_\_\_\_

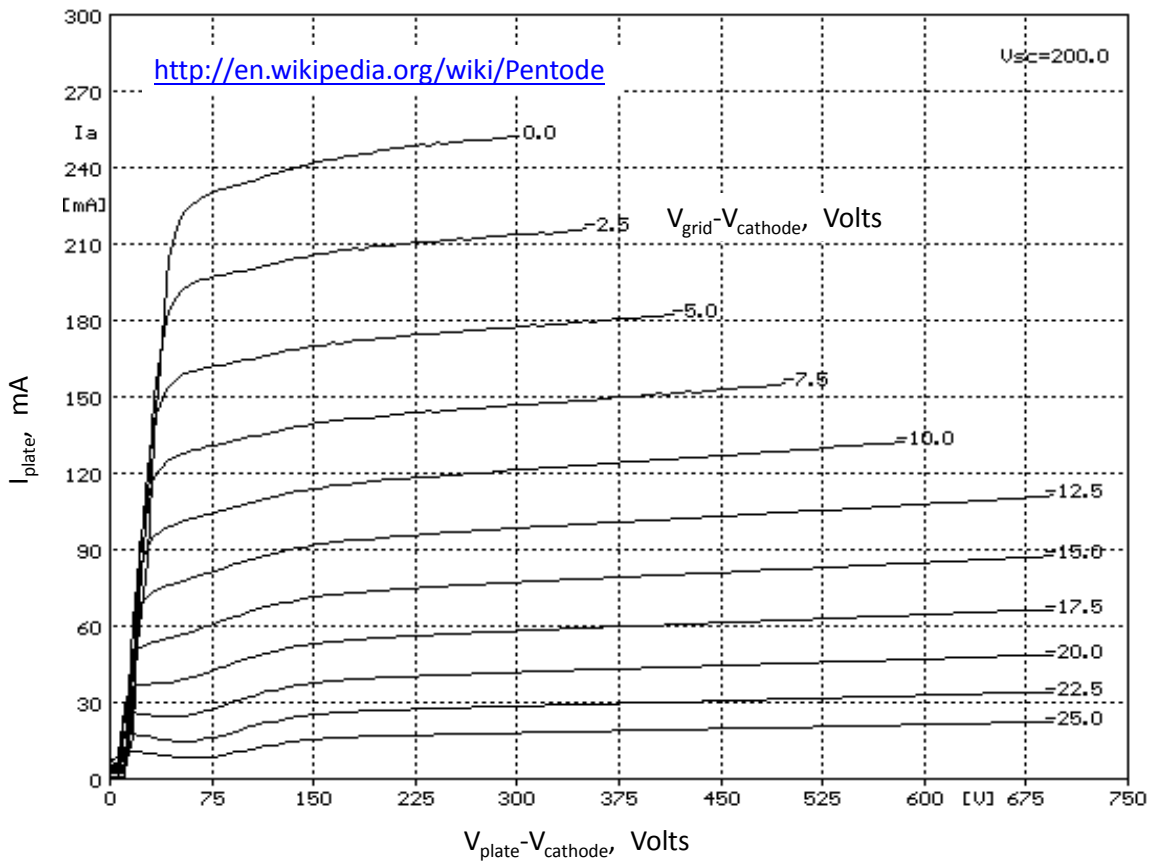
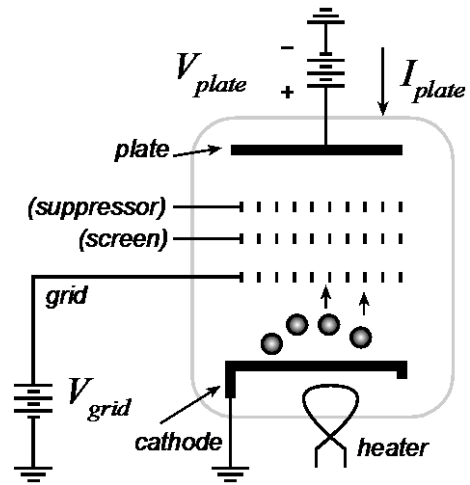
Knee voltage of Q1; Maximum  $\Delta V_{out}$  resulting = \_\_\_\_\_

**Problem 2, 40 points**

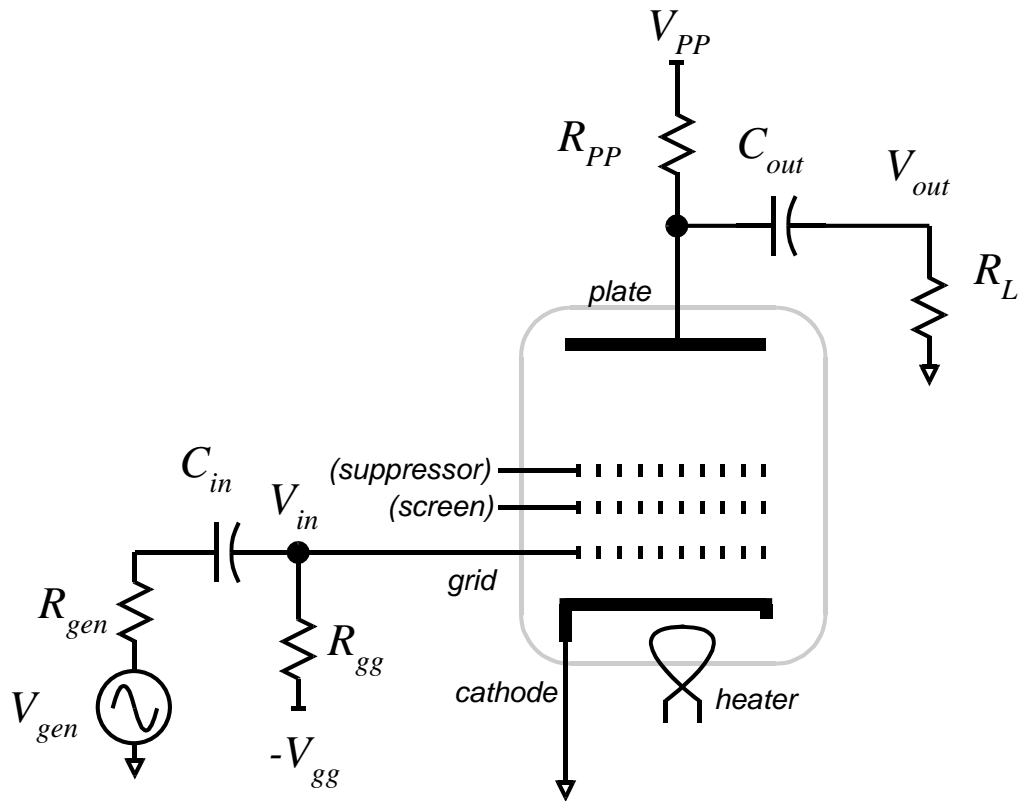
*Principles of small-signal analysis and active device modeling:* To the right is a circuit diagram of a pentode vacuum tube. Current flows between cathode and plate under control of the voltage between the grid and the cathode. Don't worry about the suppressor and the screen.

The plate current is plotted below as a function of plate-to-cathode and grid-to-cathode voltage.

**Important:** the grid current is nearly zero (is negligible).



Part a, 10 points



You must now work with the circuit above.

$V_{pp}=675$  Volts,  $R_{gen}=100$  kOhm,  $R_{gg}=1$  MegOhm,  $R_L=10$  kOHm.  
 The Tube is to be biased at 150 mA plate current, and 375 Volts plate voltage.  
 Find the grid bias voltage  $-V_{gg}$  and the plate bias resistance  $R_{pp}$ .

$-V_{gg}=\underline{\hspace{2cm}}$

$R_{pp}=\underline{\hspace{2cm}}$

Part b, 10 points

Find the following:

The tube transconductance  $g_m =$  \_\_\_\_\_

The tube AC small signal output resistance  $R_{out,tube} =$  \_\_\_\_\_

Part c, 10 points

Draw an AC small signal equivalent circuit of the amplifier.

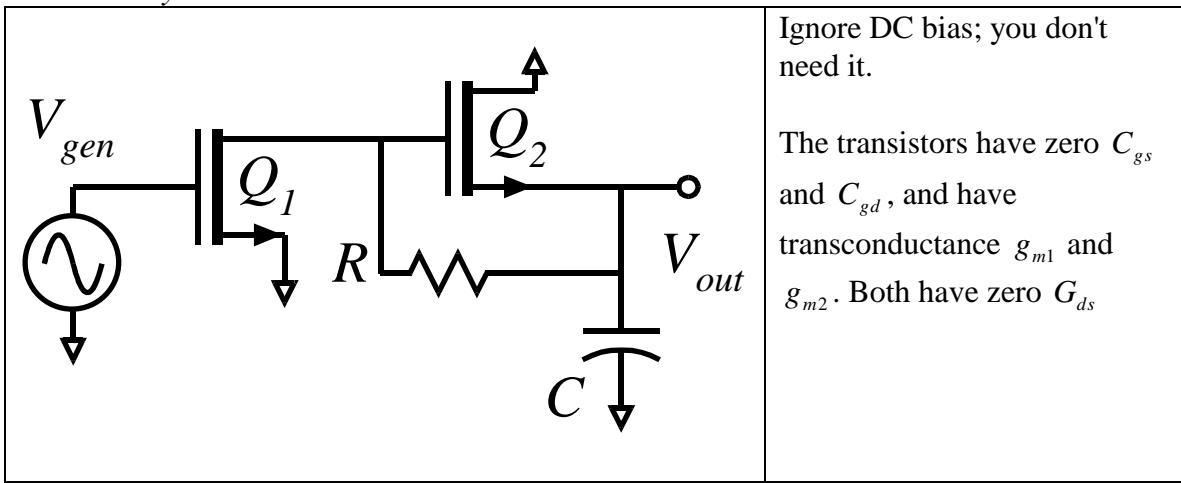
Part d, 10 points

Find the AC small signal voltage gain  $V_{out}/V_{gen}$   
 $V_{out}/V_{gen} = \underline{\hspace{10em}}$



**Problem 3: 35 points**

*Nodal analysis and transistor circuit models*



Part a, 10 points

Draw an accurate small-signal equivalent circuit model of the circuit above.



Part b, 10 points

**Using NODAL ANALYSIS**, find the transfer function  $V_o(s)/V_{gen}(s)$

The answer must be in standard form  $\frac{V_o(s)}{V_{gen}(s)} = \frac{V_o}{V_{gen}} \Big|_{\text{low-frequency-value}} \times \frac{1 + b_1s + b_2s^2 + \dots}{1 + a_1s + a_2s^2 + \dots}$ ,

$$\frac{V_o(s)}{V_{gen}(s)} = \underline{\hspace{10cm}}$$



Part c, 5 points

$$g_{m1} = g_{m2} = 10 \text{ mS. } R = 200 \text{ Ohms. } C = 1 \text{ pF.}$$

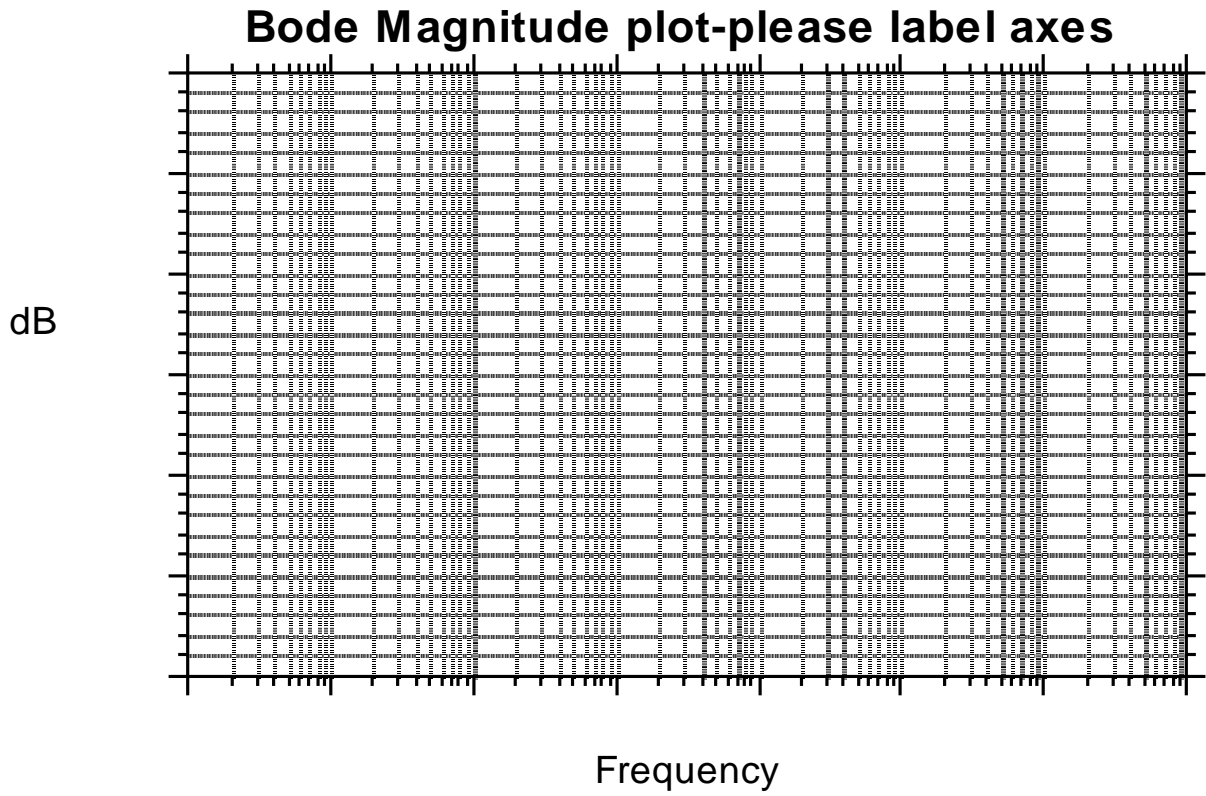
How many poles are there in the transfer function ?

Give its frequency / their frequencies:

$$f_{p1} = \text{_____}, f_{p2} = \text{_____}, f_{p3} = \text{_____} \dots$$

Part d, 5 points

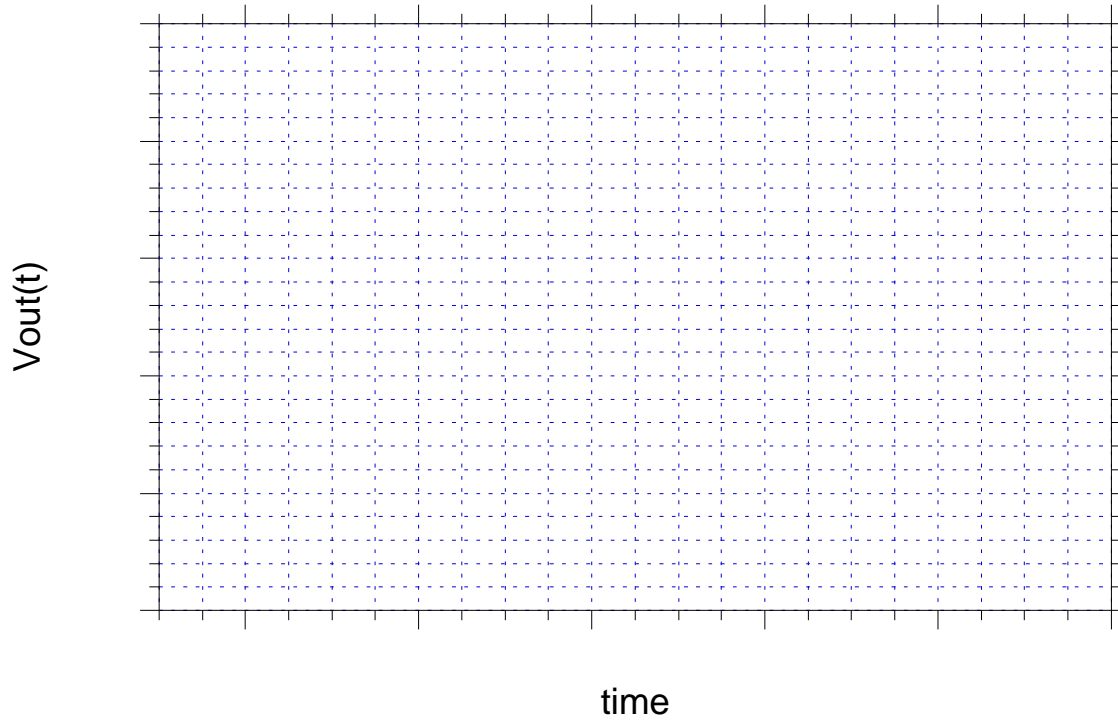
Make an accurate Bode plot of  $V_{out}/V_{gen}$ , labeling all slopes, and all key gain and frequency values.



Part e, 5 points

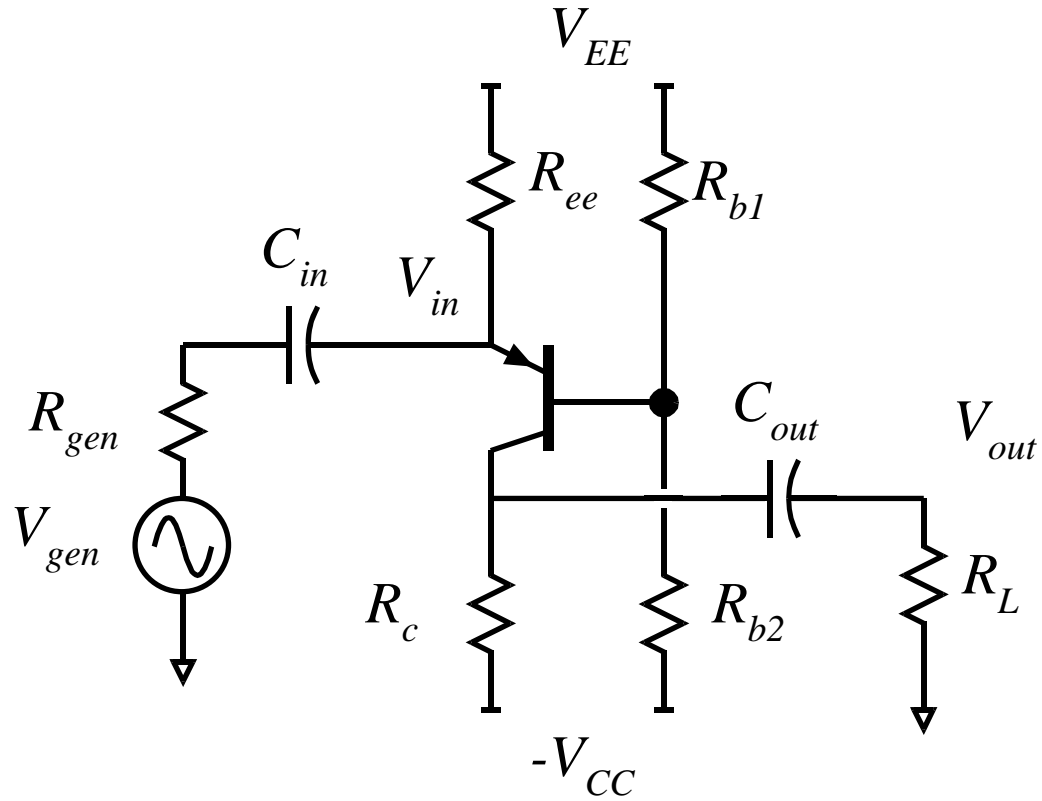
If  $V_{gen}(t)$  is a 1 mV step-function, find and *accurately* plot  $V_{out}(t)$ . ***Be sure to label both axes and give units.***

$V_{out}(t) =$  \_\_\_\_\_



**Problem 4, 40 points**

You will be working on the circuit below:



Q1 is a PNP transistor with  $\beta = 100$  and  $V_A = \infty$  Volts.

+V<sub>ee</sub>= +10 volts, -V<sub>cc</sub>= -10 Volts

C<sub>in</sub> and C<sub>out</sub> are very big and have negligible AC impedance.

R<sub>L</sub>=20 kOhm

R<sub>gen</sub>=50 Ohm,

Part a, 5 points

DC bias.

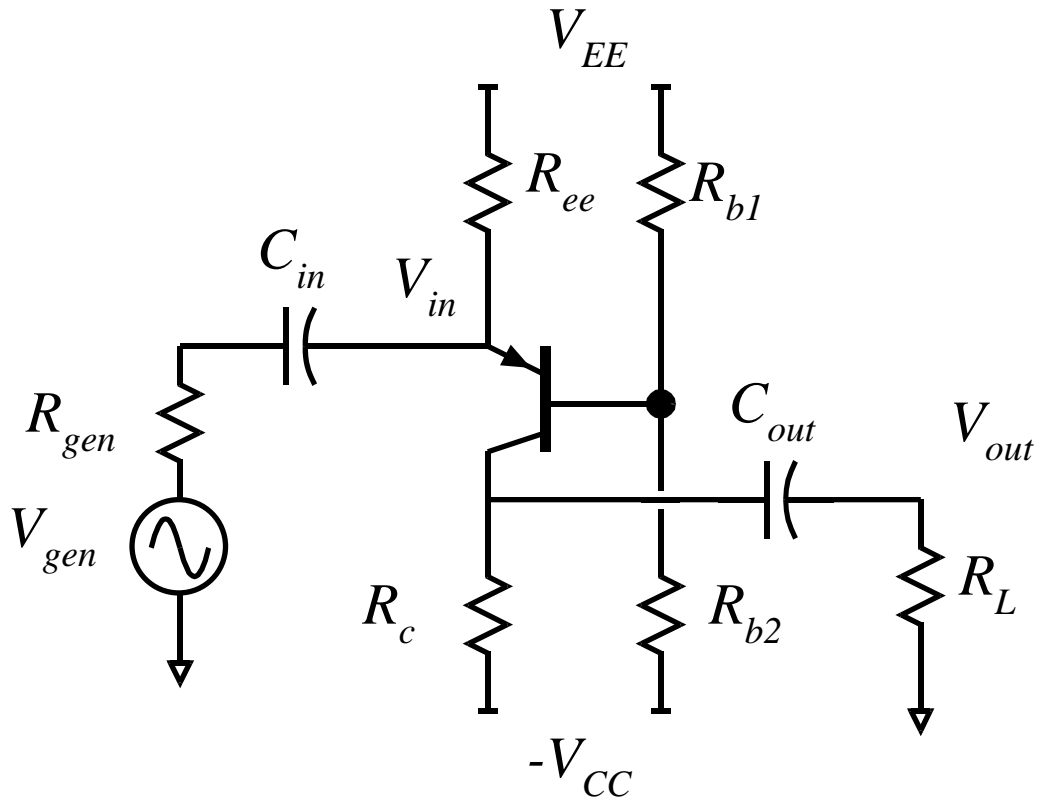
Q1 is to be biased with 1 mA drain current. The collector is to be biased at -5 Volt and the emitter at +5 Volts. The DC current through Rb1 is to be 10 times the Q1 base DC current. Find  $R_{ee}$ , Rb1, Rb2, and R<sub>c</sub>

$R_{ee} = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$       Rb1 =  $\underline{\hspace{2cm}}$

Rb2 =  $\underline{\hspace{2cm}}$       R<sub>c</sub> =  $\underline{\hspace{2cm}}$

Part b, 5points

DC bias



On the circuit diagram above, label the DC voltages at **ALL nodes** and the DC currents through **ALL resistors**



Part c, 5 points

Find the small signal parameters of Q1.

$g_m = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$        $R_{be} = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$        $R_{ce} = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$

Part d, 5 points

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