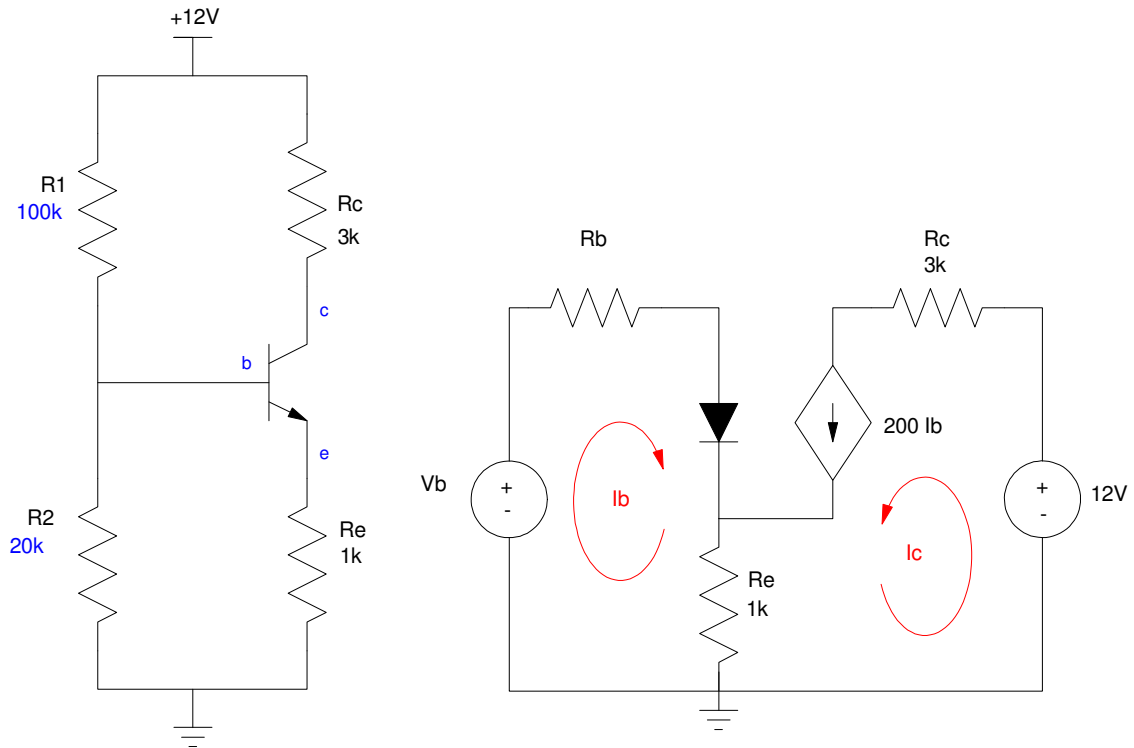


# ECE 321: Handout #12

## DC Analysis of Common Emitter Amplifiers

- 1) Determining the Q-point for the following CE amplifier. Assume 3904 transistors
- $\beta = 200$



- 2) Find R1 and R2 so that
- The Q-point is  $V_{ce} = 6.0V$ , and
  - The Q-point is stabilized for variations in  $\beta$

## Solution

1) Determining the Q-point for the following CE amplifier.

Step 1: Determine the Thevenin equivalent for R1 & R2:

$$V_b = \left( \frac{20k}{20k+100k} \right) 12V = 2.00V$$

$$R_b = 20k \parallel 100k = 16.667k\Omega$$

Ib is then

$$2.00V = R_b I_b + 0.7V + R_e (I_b + 200I_b)$$

$$I_b = \left( \frac{2.00V - 0.70V}{16.667k + (1+200)1k} \right) = 5.972\mu A$$

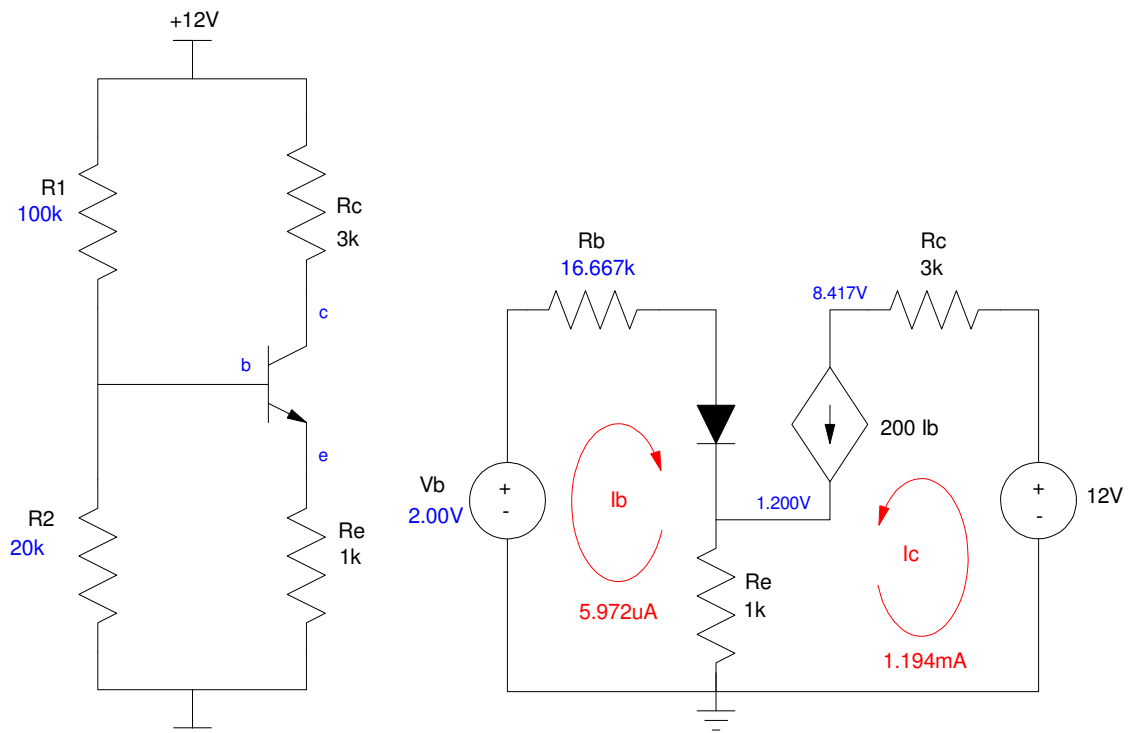
$$I_c = 200I_b = 1.194mA$$

Vce is then

$$V_e = (I_b + I_c)R_e = 1.200V$$

$$V_c = 12 - R_c I_c = 8.417V$$

$$V_{ce} = V_c - V_e = 7.217V$$



Problem 2: Determine R1 and R2 so that

- $V_{ce} = 6.00V$
- The Q point is stabilized for variations in  $\beta$

To stabilize the Q-point

$$(1 + \beta)R_e \gg R_b$$

$$201k \gg R_b$$

Let  $R_b = 20k$

For  $V_{ce} = 6.00V$

$$12 - I_c R_c - (I_b + I_c)R_e = 6.00V$$

$$I_c = 1.498mA$$

$$I_b = \frac{I_c}{200} = 7.491\mu A$$

$$V_b = I_b R_b + 0.7 + (I_b + I_c)R_e$$

$$V_b = 2.355V$$

Now solve for R1 and R2

$$\left( \frac{R_1 R_2}{R_1 + R_2} \right) = 20k\Omega$$

$$\left( \frac{R_2}{R_1 + R_2} \right) 12V = 2.355V$$

This gives

$$R_1 = \left( \frac{12V}{2.355V} \right) 20k = 101.9k$$

$$R_1 \parallel R_2 = 20k$$

$$R_2 = 24.88k$$

