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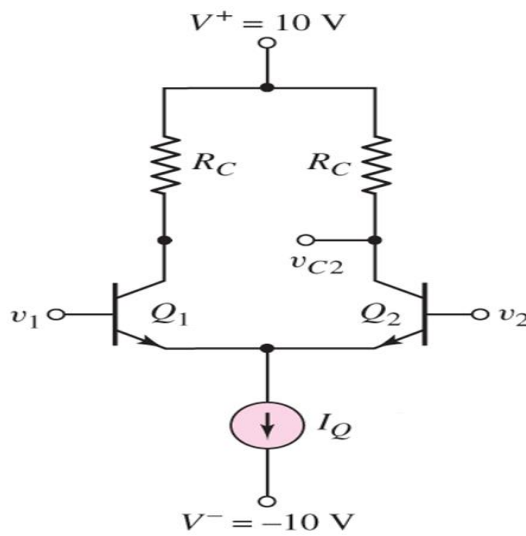


Figure 1

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$$A_d = \frac{v_o}{v_d} = \frac{8}{0.05} = \frac{g_{m2} R_C}{2} = \frac{(19.231 \text{ m}) R_C}{2} \quad [2]$$

$$\Rightarrow R_C = \frac{320}{19.231 \text{ m}} = 16.64 \text{ k}\Omega \quad [1]$$

(b) $R_{id} = 2r_\pi = \frac{2\beta V_T}{I_{CQ}} = \frac{2 \times 100 \times 0.026}{0.5 \text{ mA}} = 10.4 \text{ k}\Omega \quad [1, 1, 1]$

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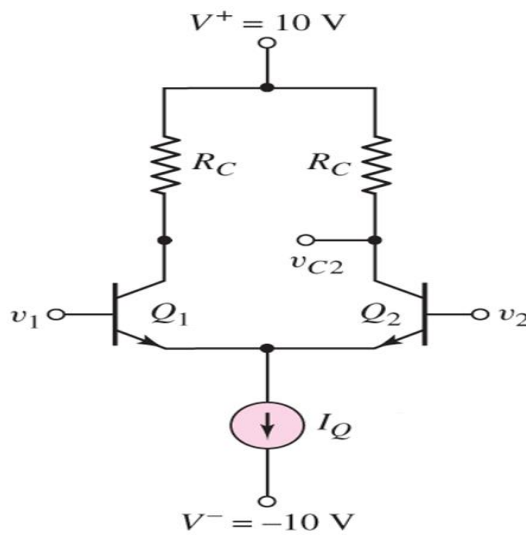


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$$\Rightarrow R_C = \frac{316}{21.153 \text{ m}} = 14.938 \text{ k}\Omega \quad [1]$$

- (b) $R_{id} = 2r_\pi = \frac{2\beta V_T}{I_{CQ}} = \frac{2 \times 100 \times 0.026}{0.55 \text{ mA}} = 9.45 \text{ k}\Omega \quad [1, 1, 1]$

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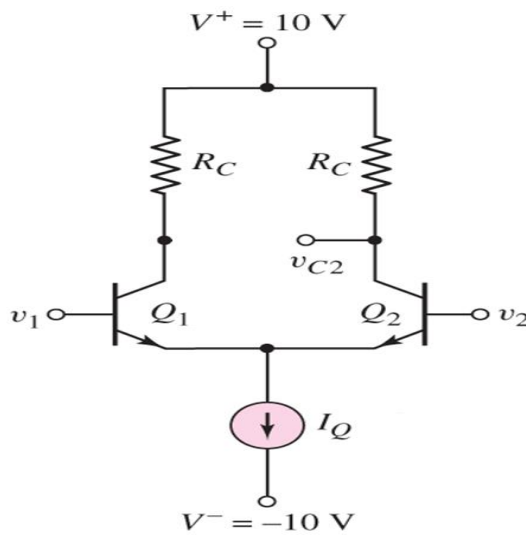


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$$\Rightarrow R_C = \frac{324}{17.307 \text{ m}} = 18.72 \text{ k}\Omega \quad [1]$$

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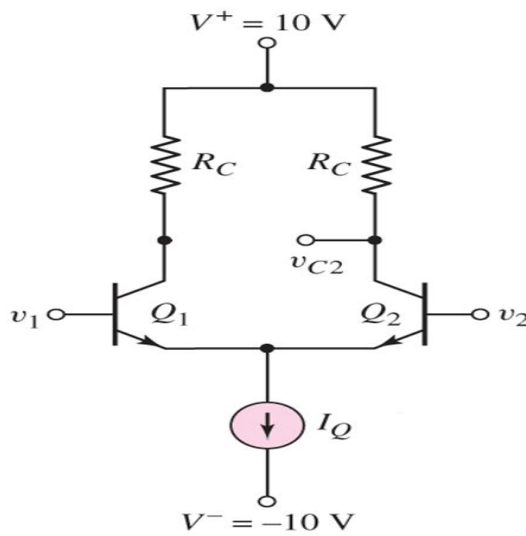


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$$\Rightarrow R_C = \frac{312}{23.076 \text{ m}} = 13.52 \text{ k}\Omega \quad [1]$$

- (b) $R_{id} = 2r_\pi = \frac{2\beta V_T}{I_{CQ}} = \frac{2 \times 100 \times 0.026}{0.6 \text{ mA}} = 8.67 \text{ k}\Omega \quad [1,1,1]$

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