

**Problem Set 6 (Short)**  
**Due Friday, July 19 at 12 PM**

**Prob 1) Thévenin and Norton Equivalents**

- (a) Refer to Figure 4.41, page 172 in the Textbook. This is a voltage amplifier (its actually a model of a bipolar transistor amplifier, but you do not need to know that). Suppose  $R_L = r_\pi = 5K$ , and  $\beta = 100$ . What is the voltage gain  $V_{AB} / V_1$ . (Note the sign of voltage gain can be positive or negative).
- (b) Imagine the circuit placed in a box with only the input terminals (where  $V_1$  is attached) sticking out. Nothing is connected to A-B. You are to find the Thévenin equivalent of the input (with  $V_1$  removed of course). Note that the Thévenin resistance is not simply  $r_\pi$ .
- (c) Now do the reverse; find the Thévenin equivalent circuit of the circuit as seen from the terminals AB. Assume  $V_1$  is 1V.

**Prob 2) Load –line method**

Box A below has the non-linear I-V characteristics shown in Figure 1. The box is connected to circuit B below. Find the voltage  $V_{AB}$  as well as the current,  $I$ , when the two circuits are connected with terminals a and b of box A connected to the corresponding terminals a and b of circuit B.

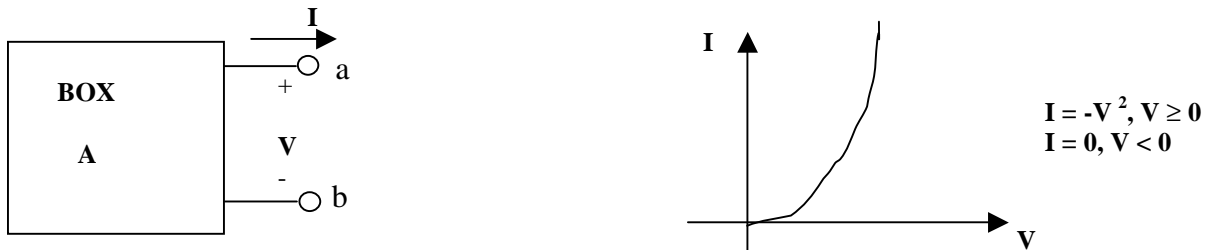
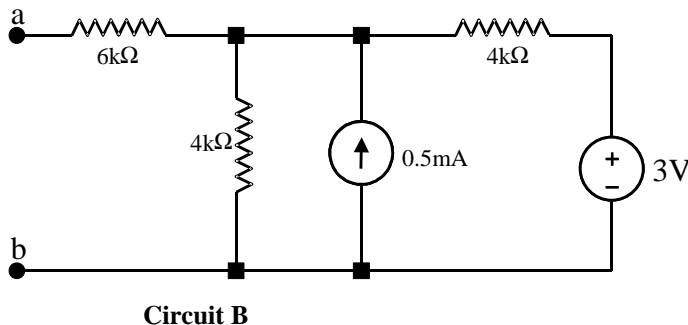


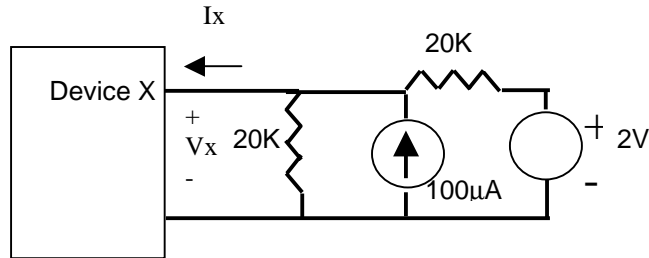
Figure 1: Non-linear circuit



Circuit B

#### Prob 4) Nonlinear problems

Consider the following circuit. You are find the “bias point” of the nonlinear device X. In other words find the current  $I_x$  and the Voltage  $V_x$  .



You may use graphical analysis and the answer need only be accurate within 20% or 1mA or 1mV, whichever is greater. Solve for the following two cases:

a) Device X has a nonlinear I-V characteristic of  $I_x = 10^{-15} \exp(V_x/0.026)$

b) Device X has a nonlinear I-V characteristic with  $I_x = 10^{-4} V^2$

#### Prob 5) Operational Amplifier (use the ideal op-amp model)

Solve for  $V_{out}$  in terms of  $I_{in}$  for the following circuit:

