

## 5.7 $r_e$ model

$r_e$  model for CB, CE and CC configuration are shown in Figure 5.13, 5.14 and 5.15 respectively.

### i) Common base

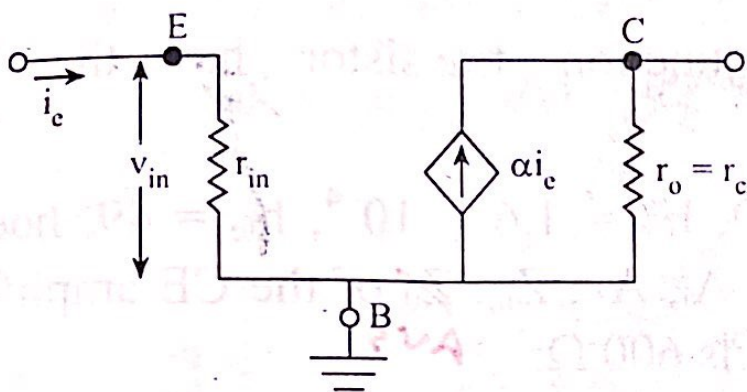


Fig. 5.13.  $r_e$ -model for CB configuration

$$\text{Here, } r_{in} = \frac{V_{in}}{i_e} \cong \frac{26 \text{ mV}}{I_E} = r_e.$$

### ii) Common emitter

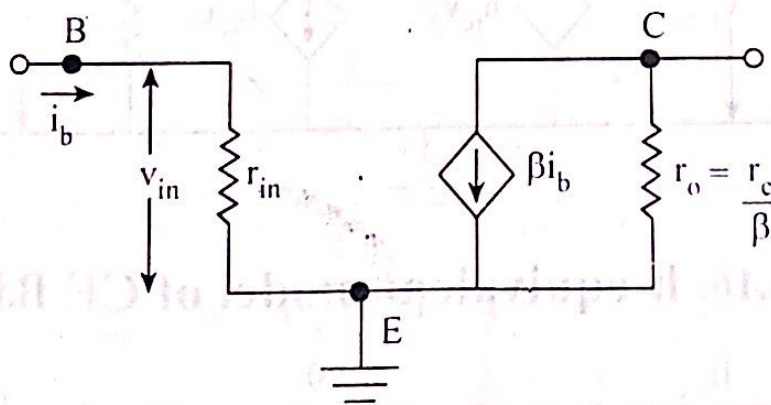


Fig. 5.14.  $r_e$ -model for CE configuration

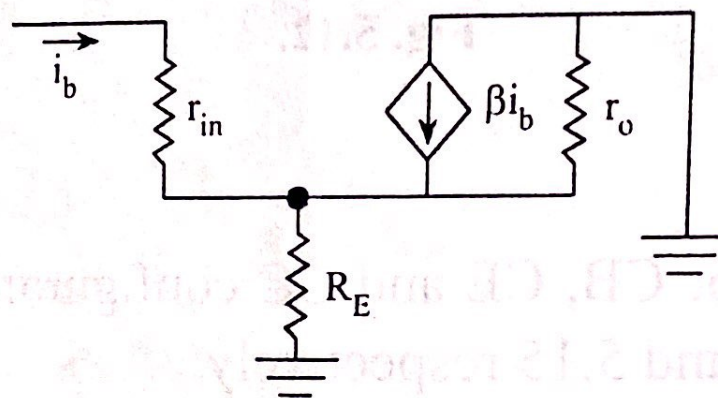
$$\text{Here, } r_{in} = \frac{V_{in}}{i_b} = \frac{V_{in}}{\frac{i_e}{(\beta + 1)}}$$

or  $r_{in} = (\beta + 1) r_e$

or  $r_{in} \approx \beta r_e$

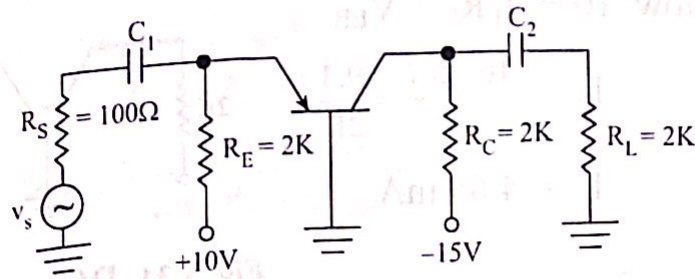
**iii) Common collector**

Here  $r_{in} = \beta r_e$



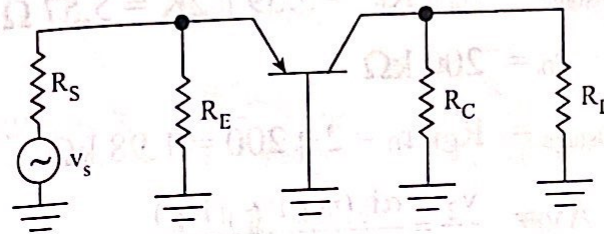
**Example 5.7.** For the given common-base configuration transistor shown in the Figure, find  $r_e$ ,  $r_{in}$ ,  $r_{instage}$ ,  $r_o$ ,  $r_{ostage}$ ,  $A_v$ ,  $A_{vs}$ ,  $A_I$  using  $r_e$ -model.

Given  $\beta = 100$ ,  $r_o = 200 \text{ k}\Omega$ .



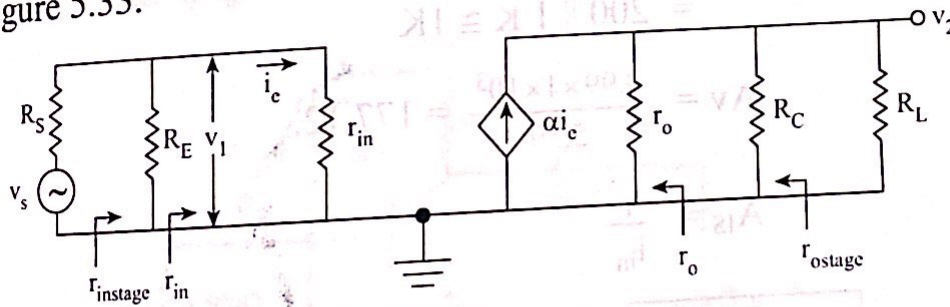
**Solution:**

The ac equivalent circuit is shown in Figure 5.32. For this, all capacitors are shorted and all DC voltage sources are grounded.



**Fig. 5.32. The ac equivalent for the CB transistor**

The transistor is replaced by its equivalent  $r_e$ -model in Figure 5.33.



**Fig. 5.33. The  $r_e$ -equivalent model**

$$\text{Here, } r_{in} = \frac{V_1}{I_E} = \frac{26\text{mV}}{I_E}$$

Where  $I_E$  is DC emitter current. The DC equivalent circuit is shown in Figure 5.34.



$$\text{Now, } 10 = I_E R_E + V_{EB}$$

$\therefore$

$$I_E = \frac{10 - 0.7}{2K} = \frac{9.3}{2K}$$

or

$$I_E = 4.65 \text{ mA}$$

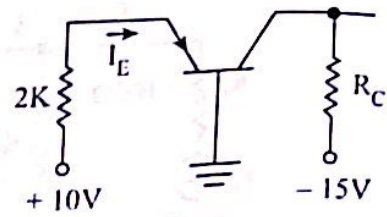


Fig. 5.34. DC equivalent circuit

$$\therefore r_{in} = \frac{26\text{mV}}{I_E} = \frac{26 \times 10^{-3}}{4.65 \times 10^{-3}}$$

$$\text{Thus, } r_e = r_{in} = 5.59 \Omega.$$

i)  $r_{in\text{stage}} = r_{in} \parallel R_E = 5.59 \parallel 2K = 5.57 \Omega.$

ii)  $r_o = 200 \text{ k}\Omega.$

iii)  $r_{o\text{stage}} = R_C \parallel r_o = 2 \parallel 200 = 1.98 \text{ k}\Omega.$

iv)  $A_v = \frac{v_2}{v_1} = \frac{\alpha i_e (r_o \parallel R_C \parallel R_L)}{i_e r_e}$

$$= \frac{\alpha r_L}{r_e}, \text{ where } r_L = r_o \parallel R_C \parallel R_L$$

$$= 200 \parallel 1 \text{ K} \approx 1 \text{ K}$$

$$\therefore A_v = \frac{0.99 \times 1 \times 10^3}{5.59} = 177.12.$$

v)  $A_{IS} = \frac{i_L}{i_{in}}$

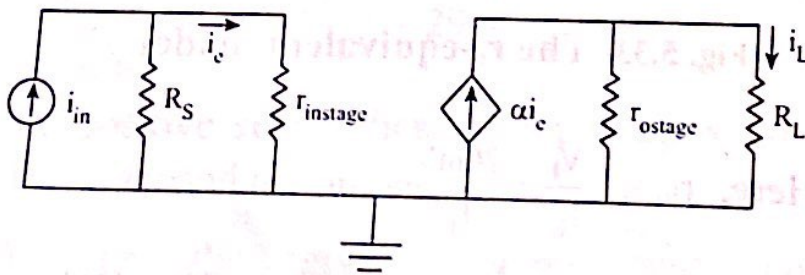


Fig. 5.35. The  $r_e$ -model for the CB configuration

From  $r_e$ -model shown in Figure 5.35, we can write

or

$$A_{IS} = \frac{i_L}{i_e} \times \frac{i_e}{i_{in}}$$

$$\text{Now, } i_L = \frac{\alpha i_e \times r_{ostage}}{(R_L + r_{ostage})}$$

$$\frac{i_L}{i_e} = \frac{\alpha r_{ostage}}{(R_L + r_{ostage})}$$

$$\text{Also, } i_e \cong \frac{i_{in} \times R_S}{(R_S + r_{instage})}$$

or

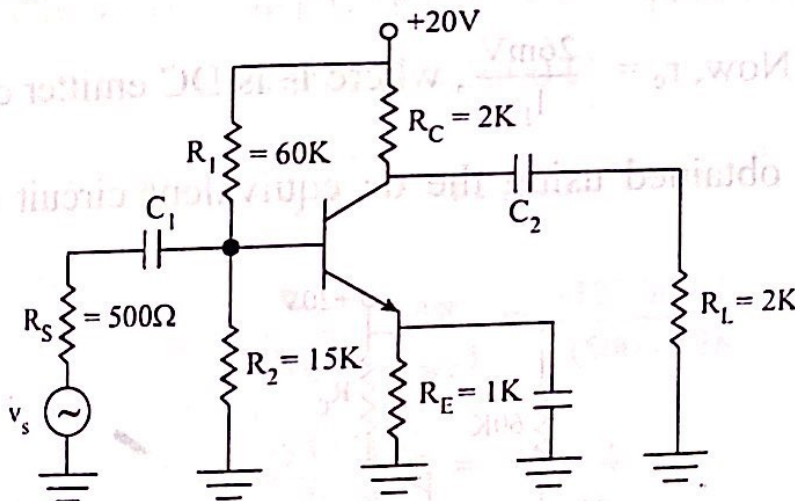
$$\frac{i_e}{i_{in}} = \frac{R_S}{(R_S + r_{instage})}$$

$$\text{Thus } A_{IS} \cong \frac{\alpha r_{ostage}}{(R_L + r_{ostage})} \times \frac{R_S}{(R_S + r_{instage})}$$

$$= \frac{1.98 \times 10^3}{2 \times 10^3 + 1.98 \times 10^3} \times \frac{100}{(100 + 5.57)} = 0.471.$$

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**Example 5.8.** For the given voltage-divider (or self-bias) circuit, find  $r_{in}$ ,  $r_{instage}$ ,  $r_{ostage}$ ,  $A_v$ ,  $A_{vs}$ ,  $A_i$ . Given,  $\beta = 100$ ,  $r_o = 200 \text{ k}\Omega$ .



**Solution:**

The ac equivalent circuit is shown in Figure 5.36. To draw the ac equivalent circuit, all capacitors are shorted and all DC voltage sources are grounded.

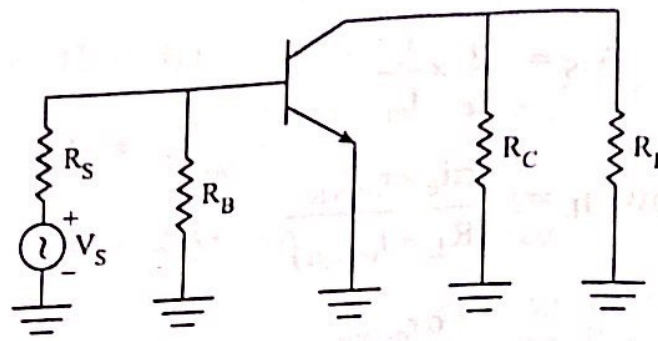


Fig. 5.36. The ac equivalent circuit

The re-model for the given voltage-divider circuit is shown in Figure 5.37.

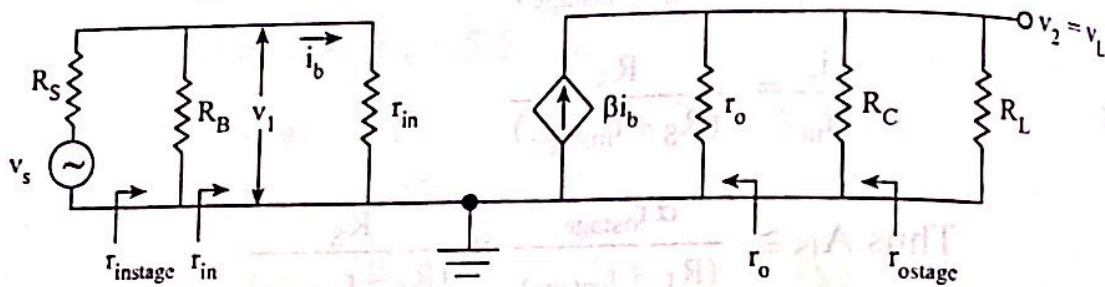


Fig. 5.37. The  $r_e$ -equivalent model for the CE transistor

Now,

$$a) \quad r_{in} = \frac{V_1}{I_b} = \frac{v_1}{I_E} = (\beta + 1) \frac{V_1}{I_E} = \beta r_e$$

$$\text{Now, } r_e = \frac{26\text{mV}}{I_E}, \text{ where } I_E \text{ is DC emitter current.}$$

$I_E$  is obtained using the dc equivalent circuit shown in Figure 5.38.

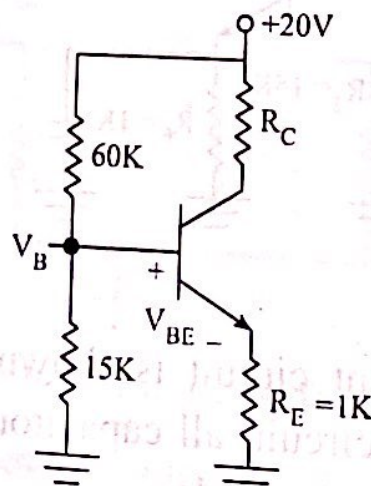


Fig. 5.38. The dc equivalent circuit



Here,  $V_B = V_{BE} + I_E R_E$

But,  $V_B = \frac{20 \times 15}{(60 + 15)} = \frac{20 \times 15}{75} = 4V.$

Then,  $I_E = \frac{4 - 0.7}{1K} = 3.3 \text{ mA}.$

Thus,  $r_e = \frac{26}{3.3} = 7.87 \Omega$

Hence,  $r_{in} = \beta r_e = (7.87 \Omega \times 100) = 787 \Omega.$

And  $R_B = R_1 \parallel R_2 = \frac{R_1 \times R_2}{R_1 + R_2}$

or  $R_B = \frac{60 \times 15}{75} = 12 \text{ k}\Omega.$

b)  $r_{instage} = R_B \parallel r_e = 12 \times 10^3 \parallel 787 \Omega = 738 \Omega.$

c)  $r_{0stage} = r_o \parallel R_C \approx R_C = 2 \text{ k}\Omega.$

d)  $A_v = \frac{v_2}{v_1} = \frac{-\beta i_b (r_L)}{i_b \beta r_e}$

Where,  $r_L = r_o \parallel R_C \parallel R_L = 200K \parallel 2K \parallel 2K$   
 $= 0.99 \text{ k}\Omega \approx 1000 \Omega.$

$\therefore A_v \approx -\frac{1000}{7.87} = -127.06.$

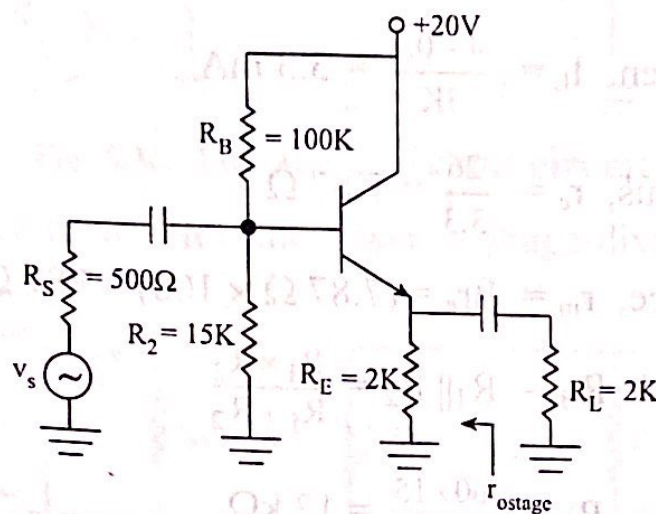
e)  $A_{vs} = \frac{A_v \times r_{instage}}{(R_S + r_{instage})} = \frac{-127.06 \times 738}{(500 + 738)}$   
 $= \frac{-93773.82}{1238} = -75.74.$

Here, the negative sign indicates that there is a  $180^\circ$  phase shift between the input and output wave form.

f)  $A_i \approx \beta = 100.$

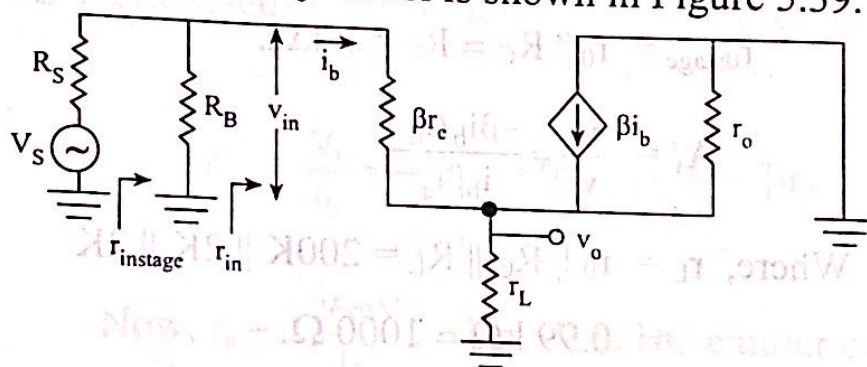


**Example 5.9.** For the given common-collector transistor amplifier shown in the figure, find  $A_v$ ,  $A_i$ ,  $r_{in}$ ,  $r_{instage}$ ,  $r_{ostage}$ .  
 Given,  $r_e = 20 \Omega$ ,  $r_o = 200 \text{ k}\Omega$ ,  $\beta = 100$ .



**Solution:**

The equivalent  $r_e$ -model is shown in Figure 5.39.



**Fig. 5.39. The  $r_e$ -equivalent model for the emitter follower**

$$i) \quad r_{in} = \frac{v_{in}}{i_b} = \frac{i_b \beta r_e + (i_b + \beta i_b) r_L}{i_b} \\ = \beta r_e + (\beta + 1) r_L.$$

$$\text{Where, } r_L = R_E \parallel R_L = 2\text{K} \parallel 2\text{K} = 1 \text{ k}\Omega.$$

$$\text{or } r_{in} \approx \beta(r_e + r_L) = 100(20 + 1000) = 102 \text{ k}\Omega.$$

Thus, the input resistance of the CC transistor is very high.

$$ii) \quad r_{instage} = R_B \parallel r_{in}$$

$$\text{Where } R_B = 100 \text{ K} \parallel 15 = 13.04 \text{ k}\Omega$$

$$r_{\text{instage}} = 13.04 \parallel 102 = 11.56 \text{ k}\Omega.$$

$\therefore$

$$\text{iii) } A_v = \frac{V_o}{V_{in}} = \frac{(i_b + \beta i_b)r_L}{i_b \beta r_e + (\beta + 1)i_b r_L}$$

$$\cong \frac{(\beta + 1)r_L}{\beta r_e + (\beta + 1)r_L}$$

$$= \frac{101 \times 1 \times 10^3}{100 \times 20 + 101 \times 1 \times 10^3}$$

$$= 0.98 \approx 1.$$

Since the voltage gain is approximately equal to unity and with a positive sign, the common-collector transistor is also called the emitter follower.

$$\text{iv) } A_{vs} = A_v \times \frac{r_{\text{instage}}}{(R_S + r_{\text{instage}})} = \frac{1 \times 11.56}{(0.5 + 11.56)} = 0.95.$$

$$\text{v) } r_{\text{ostage}} = R_E \parallel \left( \frac{\beta r_e + R_S \parallel R_B}{\beta} \right)$$

$$\text{or } r_{\text{ostage}} = R_E \parallel \left( r_e + \frac{R_S \parallel R_B}{\beta} \right)$$

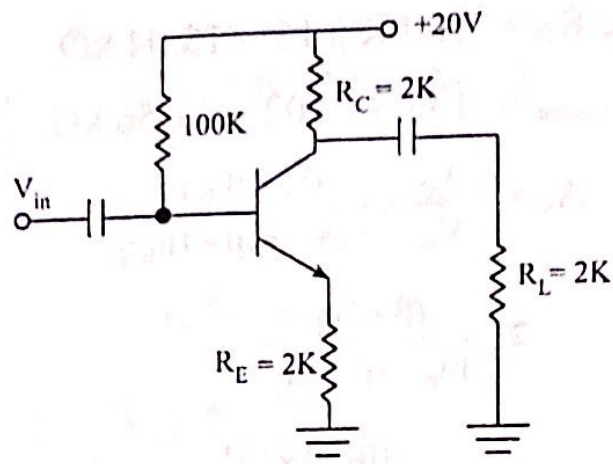
$$\begin{aligned} \text{Now, } R_S \parallel R_B &= 500 \parallel 13.04 \times 10^3 \\ &= 481 \Omega \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore r_{\text{ostage}} &= 2 \times 10^3 \parallel \left( 20 + \frac{481}{100} \right) \\ &= 24.80 \Omega \approx 25 \Omega. \end{aligned}$$

The output impedance of CC configuration is low.

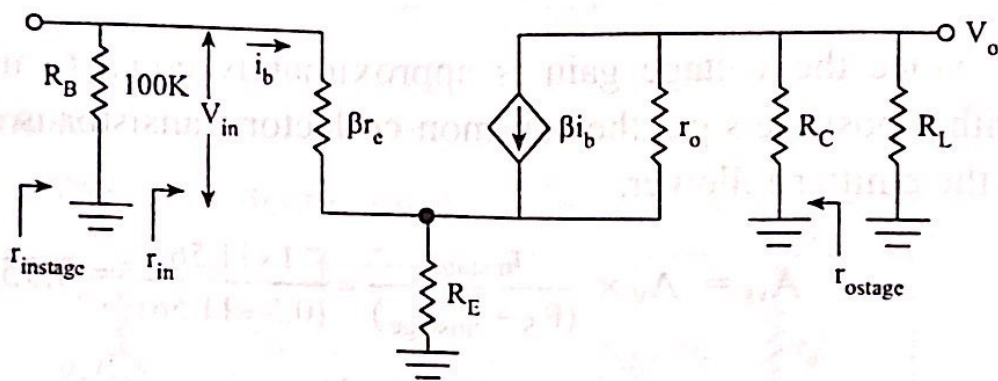
**Example 5.10.** Find  $A_I$ ,  $A_v$ ,  $r_{\text{instage}}$  and  $r_{\text{ostage}}$  for the given the CE transistor amplifier shown in the Figure. Assume  $r_e = 20 \Omega$  and  $\beta = 100$ .





**Solution:**

The equivalent  $r_e$ -model is shown in Figure 5.40.



**Fig. 5.40. The  $r_e$  equivalent model for the CE transistor**

$$r_{in} = \frac{V_{in}}{i_b} = \frac{i_b \beta r_e + (\beta + 1) i_b R_E}{i_b} \approx \beta(r_e + R_E)$$

$$= 100(20 + 2000) = 202 \text{ k}\Omega.$$

$$r_{instage} = r_{in} \parallel R_B = 202 \text{ K} \parallel 100 \text{ K} = 66.88 \text{ K}.$$

$$r_{ostage} \cong r_o \parallel R_C \approx R_C = 2 \text{ K}.$$

$$A_v = \frac{V_o}{V_{in}} \approx \frac{-\beta i_b (r_L)}{i_b \beta r_e + (\beta + 1) i_b R_E}$$

$$\therefore A_v = \frac{-r_L}{(r_e + R_E)}$$

$$\text{where, } r_L = R_C \parallel R_L = 2 \text{ K} \parallel 2 \text{ K} = 1 \text{ K}.$$

$$\therefore A_v = \frac{-1 \times 10^3}{20 + 2 \times 10^3} = -0.495.$$



When the emitter resistance  $R_E$  is unbypassed, then its input resistance increases and voltage gain reduces. The low voltage gain is due to the signal drop across the  $R_E$ .