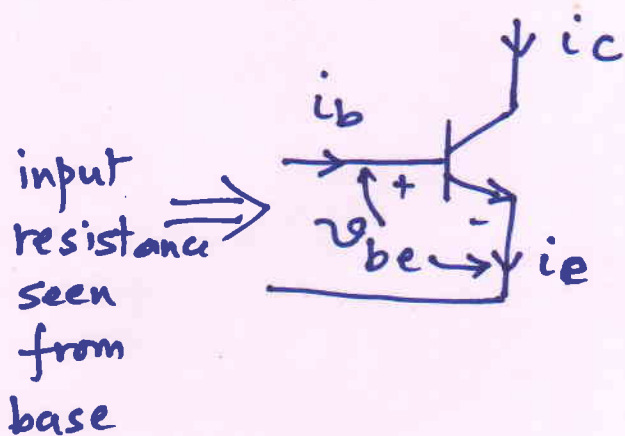


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## Base Current & Input Resistance at Base



Total base current  $i_B$  ~~from applied voltage  $v_{be}$~~   
Contains dc and signal components similar to  $i_C$ .

$$i_B = \frac{i_C}{\beta} = \frac{1}{\beta} \left( I_C + \frac{I_C}{V_T} v_{be} \right)$$

$$= \frac{I_C}{\beta} + \frac{I_C}{\beta} \frac{v_{be}}{V_T}$$

$$= \underbrace{I_B}_{\text{dc part}} + \underbrace{i_b}_{\text{signal part}}$$

$$\therefore i_b = \frac{I_C v_{be}}{\beta V_T} \quad \text{we know that } g_m = I_C / V_T$$

$$i_b = \frac{g_m}{\beta} v_{be}$$

if we define  $\beta$  small signal resistance, between base and emitter, "looking into base" as  $r_{\pi}$  then

$$r_{\pi} = v_{be} / i_b \quad \text{and we get}$$

$$\boxed{r_{\pi} = \beta / g_m} =$$

$r_{\pi}$  is dependent on  $\beta$ .

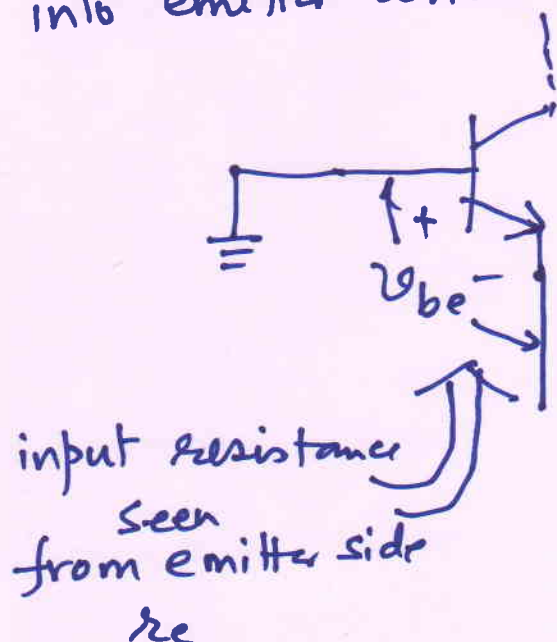
[2] Substituting value of  $g_m = I_C / V_T$ , we get

$$r_{\pi} = V_T / I_B$$

TO GET HIGHER INPUT RESISTANCE  $I_C$  &  $I_B$   
MUST BE CHOSEN AS SMALL AS POSSIBLE

Emitter Current & Input Resistance at Emitter

We now visualise input resistance seen into emitter when base is grounded.



Total emitter current  $i_E$  contains dc + signal.

$$i_E = \frac{i_c}{\alpha} = \frac{I_C}{\alpha} + \frac{i_c}{\alpha} = \text{dc} + \text{ac}$$

if we define ac part as  $i_e$  then  $i_E = I_E + i_e$

$$i_e = \frac{i_c}{\alpha} = \frac{I_C}{\alpha V_T} v_{be} = \frac{I_E}{V_T} v_{be}$$

if we define  $r_e \equiv v_{be} / i_e$  then

$$\text{emitter resistance } r_e = \frac{V_T}{I_E} = \frac{I_C / g_m}{I_E}$$

$$= \frac{\alpha}{g_m} \approx \frac{1}{g_m}$$

③ emitter resistance  $\boxed{r_e \approx \frac{1}{g_m}} = \frac{\alpha}{g_m}$

What is relationship between  $r_{\pi}$  and  $r_e$ ?

$$r_{\pi} = v_{be} / i_b$$

$$r_e = v_{be} / i_e$$

$$\therefore i_b \cdot r_{\pi} = i_e \cdot r_e$$

$$\therefore \boxed{r_{\pi} = (i_e / i_b) \cdot r_e = (1 + \beta) r_e}$$

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Let us calculate some values:  
For a given BJT,  $\beta = 100$  &  $I_C = 1\text{mA}$ .  
Calculate  $g_m$ ,  $r_{\pi}$  and  $r_e$ .

$$(i) \quad g_m = I_C / V_T = 1\text{mA} / 25\text{mV} = 0.04 \text{ mhos} \\ = 40 \text{ millimhos}$$

$$(ii) \quad r_{\pi} = \beta / g_m = 100 / 40 \text{ mV} = 2.5 \text{ K}\Omega$$

$$(iii) \quad r_e = \cancel{r_{\pi}} / (1 + \beta) = 2.5 \text{ K}\Omega / 101 \approx 25 \Omega$$

#### ④ VOLTAGE GAIN in BJT Amplifier

input signal  $v_{be}$  causes signal current  $i_b$  to flow.  $i_b$  gets amplified in  $i_c = \beta i_b$ .

This higher value current passes through load resistance  $R_c$  and signal output is available at collector. We calculate voltage

gain as follows:  $i_c$   
Total collector current will cause total

$$\text{Collector voltage } V_c = V_{CC} - i_c R_c$$

$$V_c = V_{CC} - (I_C + i_c) R_c$$

$$= (V_{CC} - I_C R_c) - i_c R_c$$

$$= V_C - i_c R_c$$

where  $V_C$  is dc bias voltage at collector w.r.t. GND.

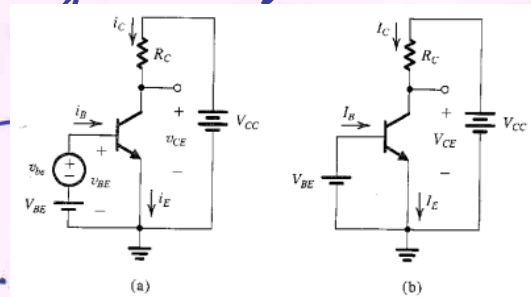
signal voltage  $v_c = -i_c R_c = -(g_m v_{be}) R_c$   
if we define voltage gain  $A_v$  as

$$A_v \equiv \frac{v_c}{v_{be}} = -g_m R_c$$

substituting for  $g_m = I_C / V_T$ , we get

$$A_v = - \frac{I_C R_c}{V_T}$$

HIGHER  $R_C$  MEANS HIGHER VOLTAGE GAIN.  
"  $R_C$  " smaller  $V_C$  or bias voltage  
and hence smaller space for output signal swing.





⑤ Calculate  $v_c(t)$  and  $i_b(t)$  for given

$$I_C = 1\text{mA}, R_C = 10\text{k}\Omega; \beta = 100; v_{be} = 0.005 \sin \omega t$$

$$V_C = 15\text{V}.$$

Soln:

$$A_v = - \frac{I_C R_C}{V_T} = - \frac{1\text{mA} \times 10\text{k}}{25\text{mV}} = \frac{-10000\text{mV}}{25\text{mV}}$$

$$= -400$$

- indicates  $180^\circ$  phase shift betwn. inp. & output.

$$\text{if } v_{be} = 5\text{mV} \sin \omega t$$

$$\text{output signal} = v_c = A_v \cdot v_{be} = -400 \times 5\text{mV} \sin \omega t$$

$$= -2000\text{mV} \sin \omega t$$

$$= -2\text{V} \sin \omega t.$$

$$\text{DC voltage at collector} = V_{CC} - I_C R_C.$$

$$= 15\text{V} - 1\text{mA} \times 10\text{k} = 5\text{V}$$

$$\text{Total collector voltage} = \text{dc} + \text{signal}$$

$$= 5\text{V} - 2\text{V} \sin \omega t$$

$$i_b = g_m v_{be} / \beta$$

$$i_b = \left( \frac{I_C}{V_T} \right) \frac{v_{be}}{\beta} = \frac{1\text{mA}}{25\text{mV}} \frac{(5\text{mV} \sin \omega t)}{100}$$

$$= 2\mu\text{A} \sin \omega t$$

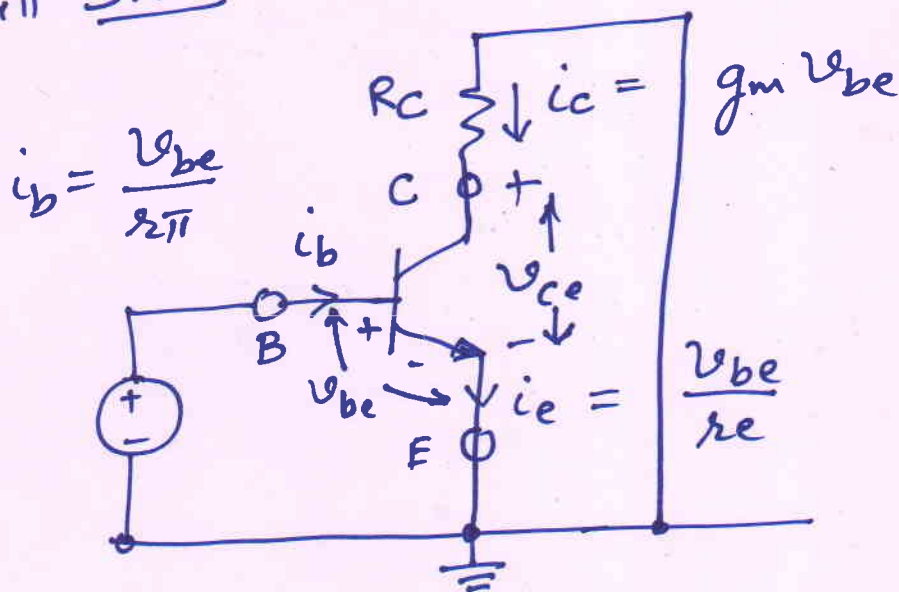
$$\text{dc base current } I_B = I_C / \beta = 1\text{mA} / 100 = 10\mu\text{A}$$

$$\text{total base current} = \text{dc} + \text{signal}$$

$$= 10\mu\text{A} + 2\mu\text{A} \sin \omega t.$$

⑥ So far we have calculated current and voltage expressions in sum of dc and ac parts. The dc part is due to biasing and is like final value when signal source is shorted or signal amplitude is ZERO.

Similarly, we can focus only on AC part or signal part by eliminating DC sources from total calculations. In considering only AC or time-variant model, we replace a DC voltage source by its source impedance which is ZERO  $\Omega$  for ideal volt. source. When considering ideal current source, we open circuit it and ideal voltage source, we will short circuit it. See AC only ckt below:



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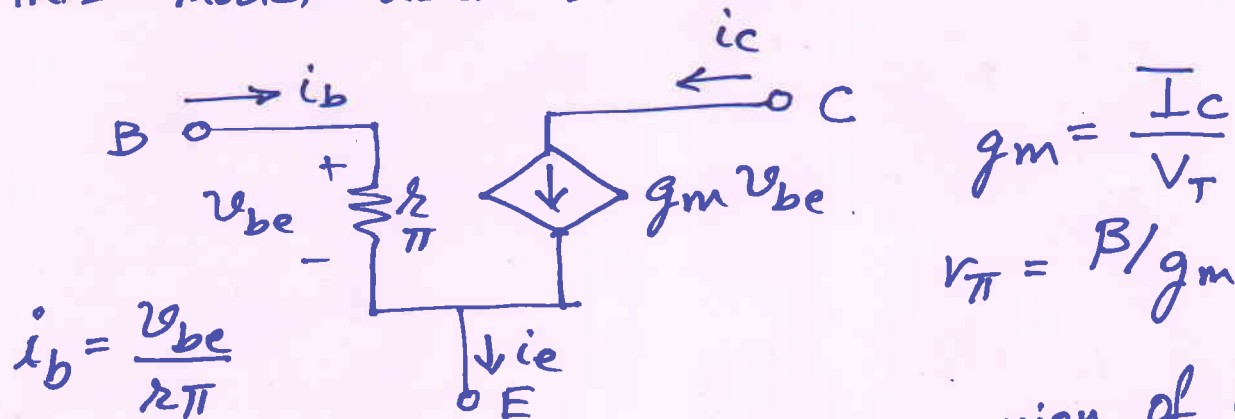
## HYBRID- $\pi$ MODEL

There are two similar models under this topology:

VCCS — voltage controlled ( $v_{be}$ ) ~~con~~ current source ( $i_c$ )

CCCS — current " ( $i_b$ ) " " ( $i_c$ )

This model uses base-emitter resistance  $r_{\pi}$ .



This model also gives correct expression of  $i_e$ .

At emitter node, we have,

$$i_e = i_b + i_c$$

$$= \frac{v_{be}}{r_{\pi}} + g_m v_{be}$$

$$= \frac{v_{be}}{r_{\pi}} (1 + g_m \cdot r_{\pi}) = \left( \frac{v_{be}}{r_{\pi} / (1 + \beta)} \right)$$

$$= \frac{v_{be} (1 + \beta)}{r_{\pi}} = \frac{v_{be}}{r_e}$$

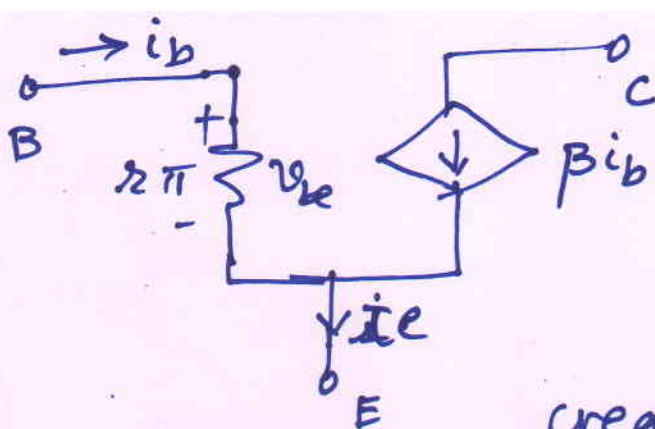
if we call  $r_e = v_{be} / i_e$  then which is what we had assumed earlier. The current source value  $g_m v_{be}$  can be given as:

$$g_m \cdot v_{be} = g_m (i_b \cdot r_{\pi})$$

$$= (g_m \cdot r_{\pi}) i_b$$

$$= \beta i_b \text{ that gives us second model}$$

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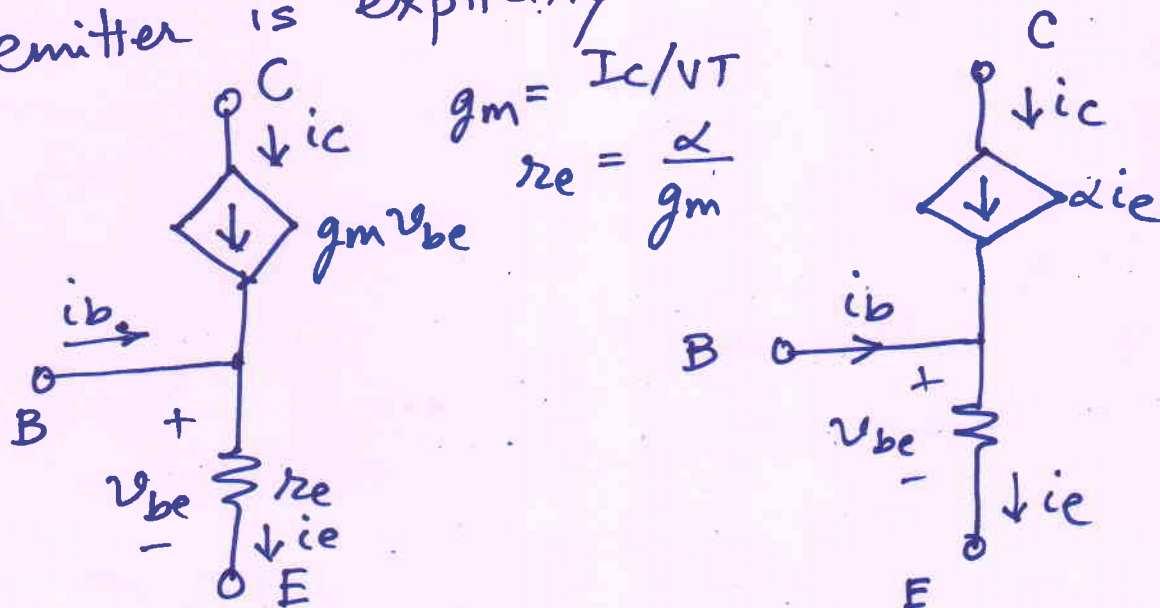


Note that  $i_b$  is main driver or independent variable which creates  $v_{be}$  across  $r_{\pi}$ .

- Both are called HYBRID-PI models.
- model parameters  $g_m$  and  $r_{\pi}$  depend upon value of  $I_c$ .
- these models equally apply to pnp transistors.

## T-MODEL

There are certain circuits where T-model offers easy solutions. Here, the input resistance between base and emitter, looking into emitter is explicitly shown



$$g_m = I_c / V_T$$

$$r_e = \frac{\alpha}{g_m}$$



⑨ we solve for current at node base :

$$i_b = i_e - i_c$$

$$= \frac{v_{be}}{r_e} - g_m v_{be}$$

$$= \frac{v_{be}}{r_e} (1 - g_m r_e)$$

$$= \frac{v_{be}}{r_e} (1 - \alpha)$$

$$= \frac{v_{be}}{r_e} \left( 1 - \frac{\beta}{\beta + 1} \right)$$

$$= \frac{v_{be}}{(\beta + 1) r_e} = \frac{v_{be}}{r_{\pi}}$$

as should be case. The current source is

$$g_m v_{be} = g_m (i_e r_e)$$

$$= (g_m r_e) i_e$$

$$= \alpha i_e$$

This is second part of T-model.

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How to use Hybrid- $\pi$  and T-Models to solve BJT amplifier circuits?

1. Determine Q-point i.e.  $I_C$  &  $V_C$ .
2. Calculate small signal model parameters

$$g_m = I_C / V_T$$

$$r_{\pi} = \beta / g_m$$

$$r_e = \alpha / g_m = \frac{V_T}{I_E}$$

3. Eliminate DC sources in a given circuit by short circuiting voltage source and open circuiting current source.

4. Replace BJT by one of its models.

5. Analyse the resulting circuit to determine required quantities like Voltage Gain.

② Q: D3.106

If we need an <sup>BJT</sup> amplifier with  $g_m = 50 \text{ mA/V}$  and  $r_{\pi} = \text{base input resistance} = 2000 \Omega$  what  $I_E$  value should be chosen? What is minimum  $\beta$  value needed?

Soln: Given  $g_m = 50 \text{ mA/V}$  &  $r_{\pi} = 2 \text{ k}\Omega$   
Decide  $I_C$  for this  $g_m$  value from

$$g_m = I_C / V_T$$

$$\therefore I_C = g_m \times V_T = 50 \text{ mA/V} \times 25 \text{ mV} = 1250 \mu\text{A}$$
$$\boxed{= 1.25 \text{ mA}}$$

Now calculate  $\beta$  needed for  $r_{\pi} = 2 \text{ k}\Omega$ .

$$r_{\pi} = \beta / g_m$$

$$\therefore \beta = r_{\pi} \cdot g_m = 2000 \Omega \times 50 \text{ mV}$$
$$= 100000 \text{ milli}$$

$$\boxed{= 100}$$

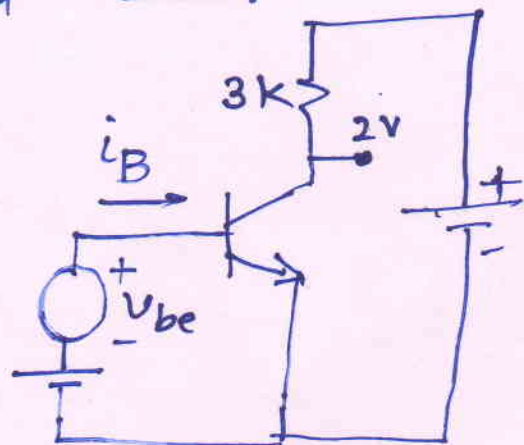
If we get higher  $\beta$  then we will get higher  $r_{\pi}$ .

Using  $I_C$  &  $\beta$ , calculate  $I_E$ .

$$I_E = \frac{I_C}{\alpha} = \frac{I_C}{\beta / \beta + 1} = \frac{1.250 \times 101}{100}$$
$$= 1262.5 \mu\text{A}$$

$$\boxed{I_E = 1.2625 \text{ mA}}$$

Q: 3.108.



Given:  $V_C = 2V$ ;  $V_{CC} = 5V$

$R_C = 3k$ ;  $\beta = 100$

input signal  $v_{be} = 5mV \sin \omega t$

Calculate total instantaneous quantities (dc+ac) for  $i_C$ ,  $v_C$  and  $i_B$ ? What is  $A_v$ ?

Soln: steps: 1. Calculate  $I_C R_C$  & then  $I_C$ .

2. Calculate  $g_m$  (and possibly  $r_{\pi}$ ).

3. Calculate  $I_B$  &  $I_E$  from  $I_C$ .

4. Calculate  $i_b = v_{be} / r_{\pi}$  or

Calculate  $i_c = g_m v_{be}$  & divide by  $\beta$  to get  $i_b$ .

5. Calculate  $i_e$

6. Calculate voltage gain =  $v_C / v_{be}$

Answers:

$$\text{Total } i_C = 1mA + 200\mu A \sin \omega t$$

$$i_B = 10\mu A + 2\mu A \sin \omega t$$

$$i_E = 1.01mA + 202\mu A \sin \omega t$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Coll. voltage } v_C &= 2V + v_c \\ &= 2V (-200mV \sin \omega t) \\ &= 2V - 200mV \sin \omega t. \end{aligned}$$



⑬  $V_C = 2V, V_{CC} = 5V, R_C = 3k, \beta = 100$

$v_{be} = 5mV \sin \omega t$   
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1.  $I_C R_C = V_{CC} - V_C = 5V - 2V = 3V$

$\therefore I_C = 3V/R_C = 3V/3k = \boxed{1mA}$

2.  $\therefore I_B = \frac{1mA}{\beta} = \frac{1mA}{100} = \boxed{10\mu A}$

3.  $\therefore I_C = (\beta + 1) I_B = 101 \cdot 10\mu A = \boxed{1.010mA}$

4.  $\therefore g_m = I_C/V_T \therefore g_m = 1mA/25mV$   
 $\boxed{= 40 mA/V}$

5. signal collector current source

$i_c = g_m v_{be} = 40 mA/V \times 5mV \sin \omega t$

$\boxed{= 200\mu A \sin \omega t}$

6.  ~~$i_e$~~   $i_b = \frac{i_c}{\beta} = 2\mu A \sin \omega t$

7.  $i_e = i_b + i_c = (200\mu A + 2\mu A) \sin \omega t$

8. Voltage Gain  $A_v = \frac{-\cancel{g_m} R_C}{v_{be}} = \frac{-200\mu A \sin \omega t \times 3k}{5mV \sin \omega t}$

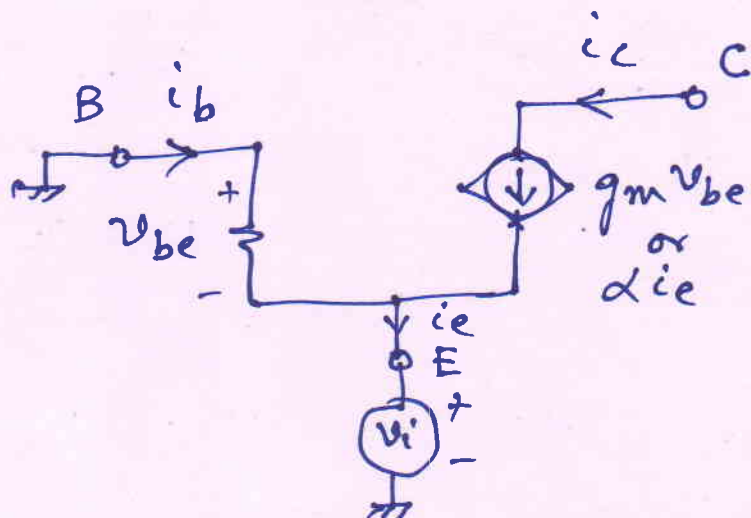
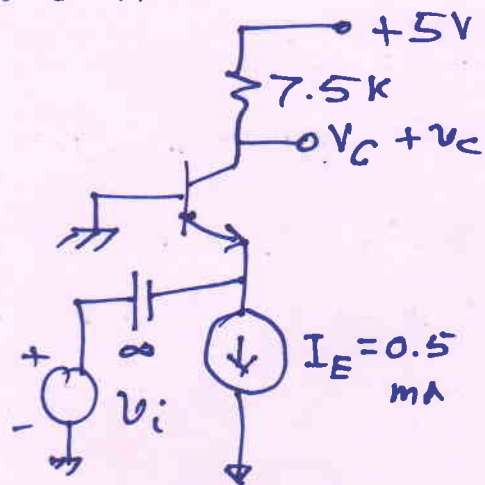
$= \frac{-600mV \sin \omega t}{5mV \sin \omega t} = \boxed{-120 V/V}$

Add DC currents to signal currents & DC  
Collector voltage to signal voltages now...

14 Q : 3.112

Given:  $\beta \gg 1$ .

Find  $V_C$  and  $g_m$  and voltage gain  $A_v$ .



$\therefore \beta \gg 1$  we take it that  $I_C = I_E = 0.5 \text{ mA}$

$$g_m = I_C / V_T = 0.5 \text{ mA} / 25 \text{ mV} = \boxed{20 \text{ mV}}$$

$$V_C = V_{CC} - I_C R_C = 5 \text{ V} - 0.5 \text{ mA} \times 7.5 \text{ k} = \boxed{1.25 \text{ V}}$$

$$i_e = \frac{v_i}{r_e} \quad \text{Find } r_e \text{ first by}$$

$$r_e = V_T / I_E = \frac{25 \text{ mV}}{0.5 \text{ mA}} = 50 \Omega$$

$$i_e = v_i / 50 \text{ Amps.}$$

$$\therefore \beta \gg 1 \quad i_c = i_e = v_i / 50 \text{ Amps.}$$

$$\text{signal voltage } v_c = i_c \cdot R_C = (v_i / 50) \cdot 7.5 \text{ k}$$

$$\therefore \frac{v_c}{v_i} = A_v = \frac{7.5 \text{ k}}{50} = \frac{7500}{50} = \boxed{150}$$

We can also calculate using  $v_{be} = -v_i$  &

$$A_v = \frac{v_c}{v_i} = \frac{v_c}{-v_i} = -g_m R_C = -\left(\frac{20 \text{ mA/V}}{1} \times 7.5 \text{ k}\right) = 150$$

## ⑮ EARLY Effect inclusion in BJT Models

Hybrid- $\pi$  and T-models make an assumption that BJT output stage has a current source which is solely controlled by input voltage or input current:

$$i_c = g_m v_{be} = \beta i_b$$

and that  $i_c$  is independent of  $V_{CE}$ . That means the output characteristics  $i_c$  vs  $V_{CE}$  is nearly horizontal.

J.M. Early showed that as  $V_{CE}$  was increased at higher voltages, due to  $I_{CBO}$  in reversed biased Base-Collector Jn., as  $V_{CE}$  increases  $I_{CBO}$  increases & causes  $I_c$  to increase though  $\beta i_b$  remains constant.

Thus the output characteristics becomes somewhat slopy rather than horizontal.

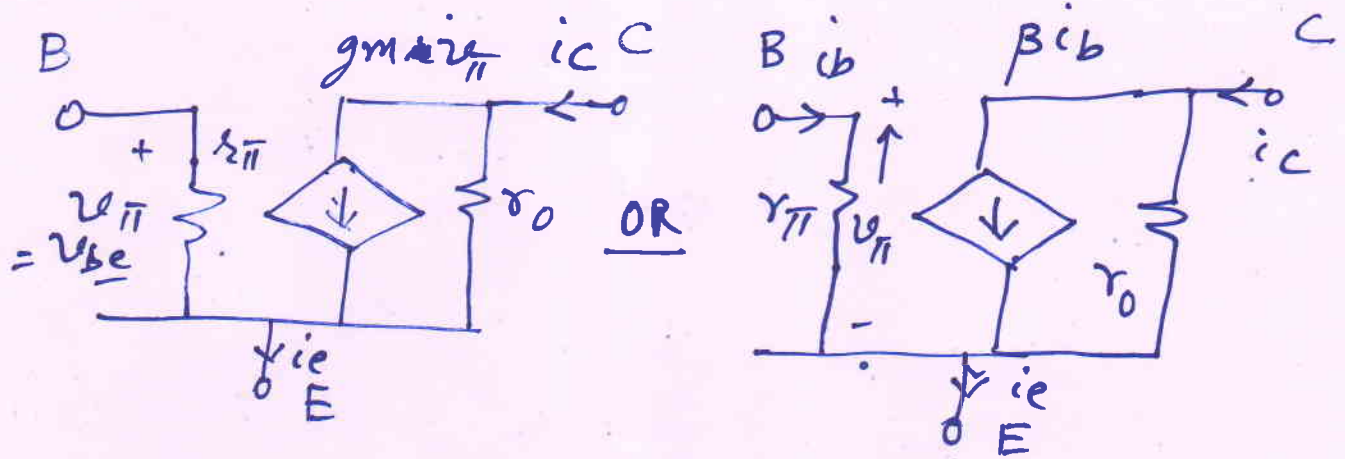
The slope can be modelled as one created by a finite output resistance

$r_o$  in parallel with current source.

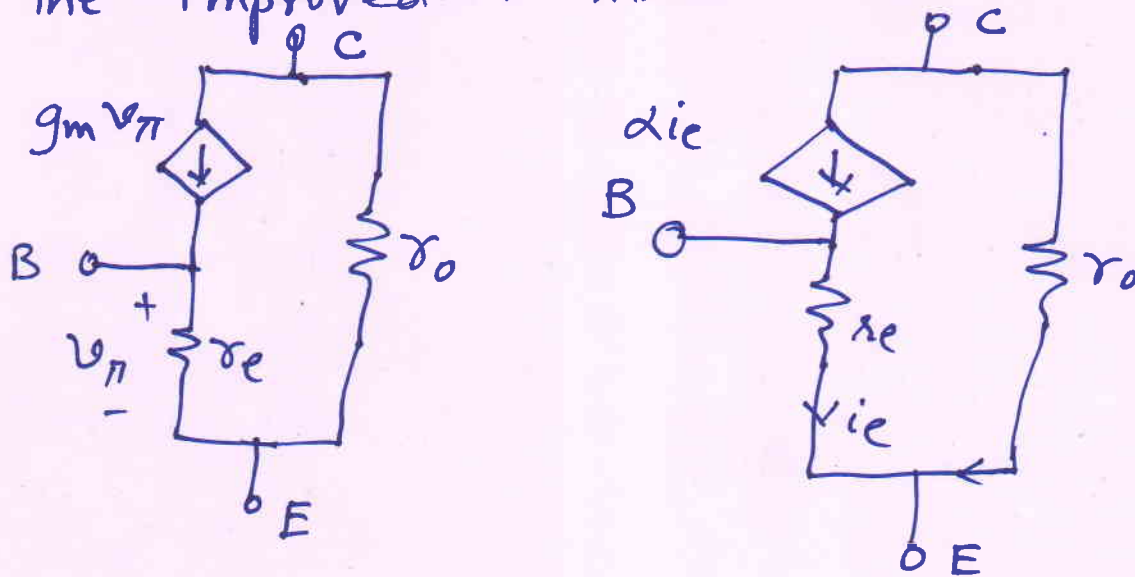
$$\text{It is given by } r_o = \frac{V_A + V_{CE}}{I_c} \approx \frac{V_A}{I_c}$$

Since  $V_A$  is of the order -50 to -100 Volts.

⑥ The improved models shown are:



The improved T-model looks like:



The effect of inclusion of  $r_o$  is to reduce Voltage Gain

$$V_o = -g_m V_{be} (R_C \parallel r_o)$$

if  $r_o > 10 R_C$  then we can assume  $r_o = \infty$  or open circuited.

Whenever in our BJT amplifier topology the Emitter is grounded (for signal) we can use Hybrid- $\pi$  model. Whenever, emitter has  $R_E$  to ground, T-model is easier to solve.