

Differential Signals:

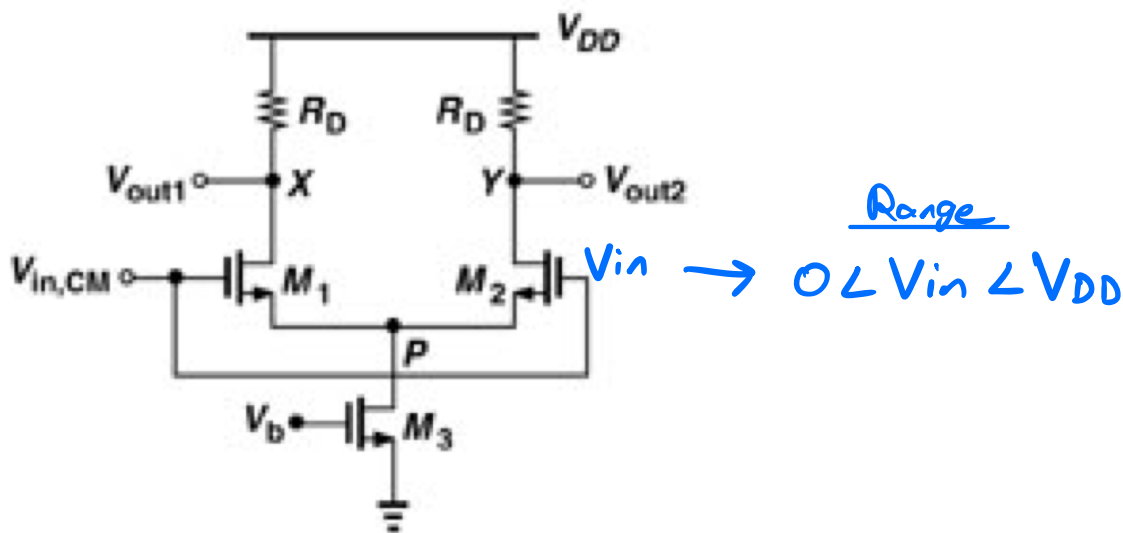
- Measured between two nodes as opposed to node to ground

V_a, V_b :

$$V_A = \frac{V_A + V_B}{2} + \frac{V_A - V_B}{2} \quad V_B = \frac{V_A + V_B}{2} - \frac{V_A - V_B}{2}$$

- CM: Common Mode DC Level
- DM: Differential Mode Signal

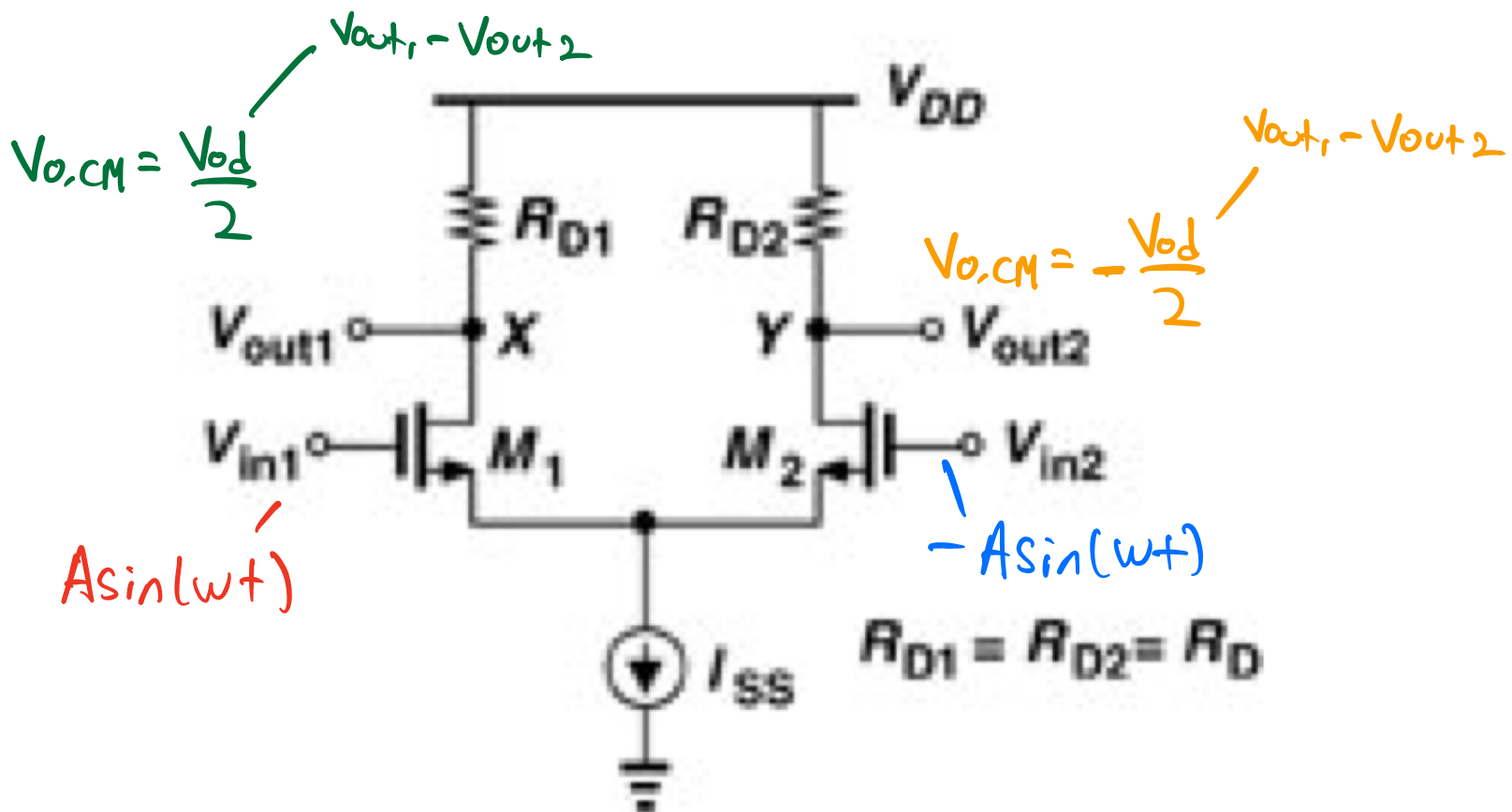
Common Mode Response:



if: $V_{in} = 0$; $V_G = 0$, transistors are off. No current

$V_{GS1} + (V_b - V_{th3}) \rightarrow$ minimum voltage needed to operate

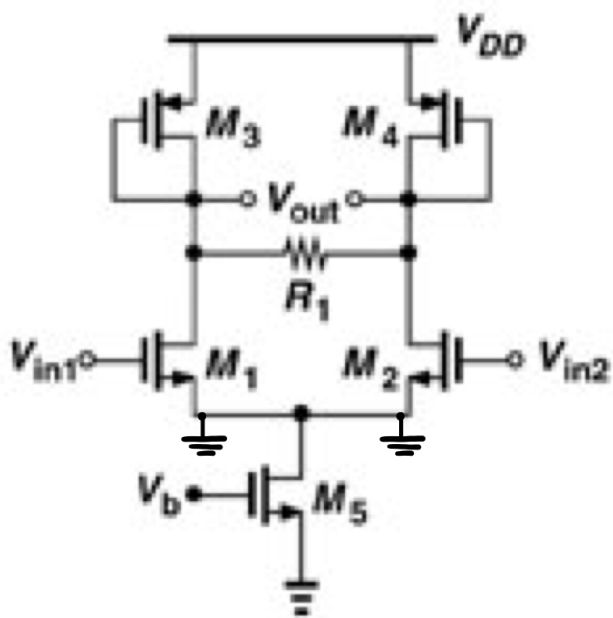
Half - Circuit Model :



Case 1: (small signal Gain $\lambda = 0$)

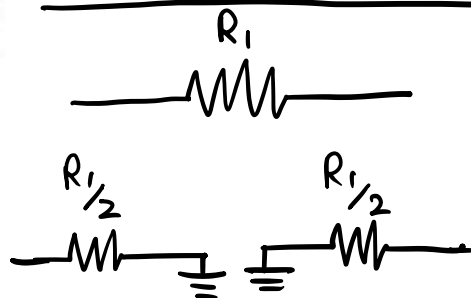
$$V_{in1} = \frac{V_{in1} + V_{in2}}{2} + \frac{V_{in1} - V_{in2}}{2} : V_{CM} = \frac{V_{id}}{2} = V_{OC} + A \sin(\omega t)$$

$$V_{in2} = \frac{V_{in1} + V_{in2}}{2} + \frac{V_{in1} - V_{in2}}{2} : V_{CM} = \frac{V_{id}}{2} = V_{OC} - A \sin(\omega t)$$



- Common Source amplifier with diode connected load in parallel with a resistive load

Half-Circuit Analysis



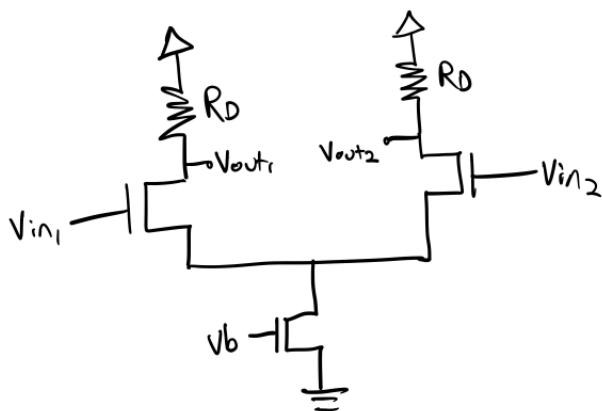
$\lambda = 0$:

$$\frac{V_{od}}{V_{id}} = -g_{m1} \left(\frac{1}{g_{m3}} \parallel \frac{R_1}{2} \right)$$

$\lambda \neq 0$:

$$\frac{V_{od}}{V_{id}} = -g_{m1} \left(\frac{1}{g_{m3}} \parallel r_{o3} \parallel r_{o1} \right)$$

- Sketch the small-signal gain of a differential pair as a function of its input common-mode level.



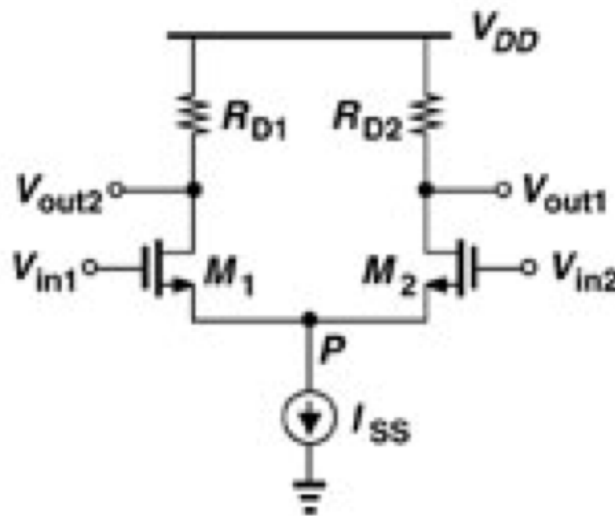
$$A_v = -g_{m1} (R_D \parallel r_{o1})$$

We have:

$$I_{D1} - I_{D2} = \frac{1}{2} \mu_n C_{ox} \frac{W}{L} \underbrace{(V_{in1} - V_{in2})}_{\text{Differential input voltage}} \sqrt{\frac{4I_{SS}}{\mu_n C_{ox} \frac{W}{L}} - (V_{in1} - V_{in2})^2}$$

$$\Delta I_D = g_{m1} \Delta V_{in}$$

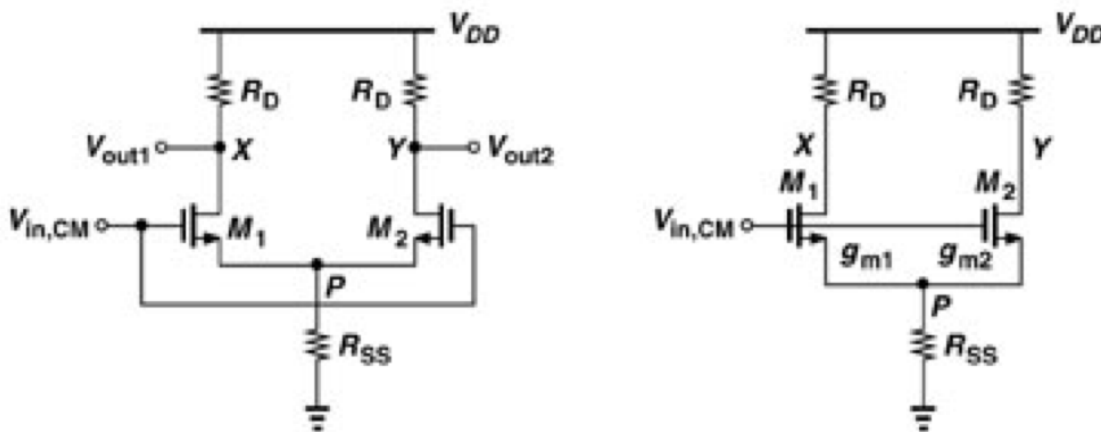
Differential Gain



$$A_v(\text{diff}) = \frac{V_{out1} - V_{out2}}{V_{in1} - V_{in2}} = g_m R_D$$

$$A_v(\text{Single-Ended}) = \frac{g_m}{2} R_D$$

Common-Mode Response



$$\frac{V_X - V_Y}{V_{in,CM}} = - \frac{g_{m1} - g_{m2}}{(g_{m1} + g_{m2})R_{SS} + 1} R_D$$

Want to design
with a large R_{SS}



Gilbert Cell:

- Wanted to create a variable gain amplifier (Differential)

