

# Electronics I.

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## Chapter 1.1

### Signals

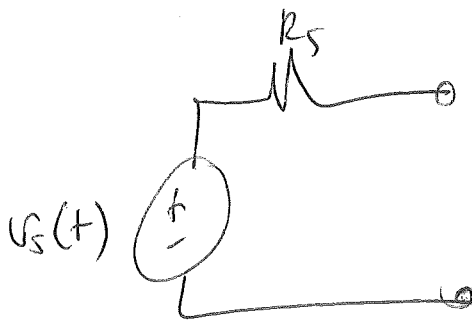
→ Different instruments produce signals.

ex. microphones, sensors, electrical monitors, ...

↳ TRANSDUCERS (physical to electrical signals)

→ Signal processing is needed to analyze or use the signal in meaningful ways.

→ Two representations of signals in electrical domain.

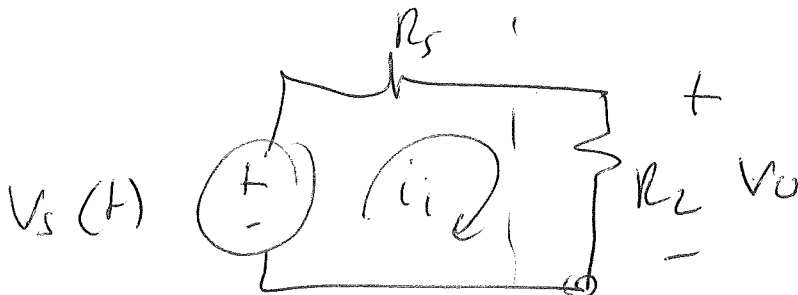


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→ When these signals are processed a load is applied.

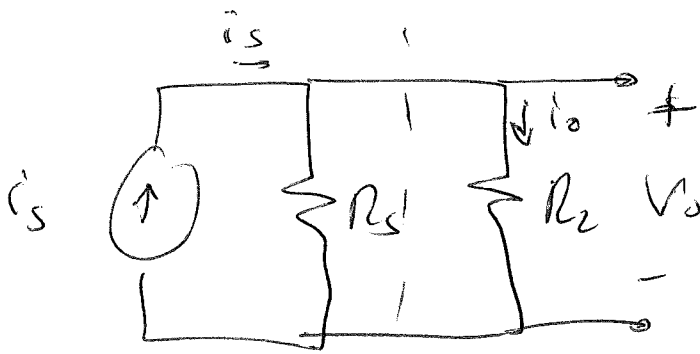


$$i_L = \frac{V_s(t)}{R_s + R_L}$$

$$V_O = \frac{V_s}{R_s + R_L} \cdot R_L$$

$$V_O = V_s \frac{R_L}{R_s + R_L}$$

for  $V_O = V_s$   $R_L \gg R_s$  or  $R_s \rightarrow 0$



$$i_o = \frac{V_o}{R_L}$$

$$V_o = \frac{i_s}{\left(\frac{1}{R_s} + \frac{1}{R_L}\right)} = i_s \frac{R_L R_s}{R_L + R_s}$$

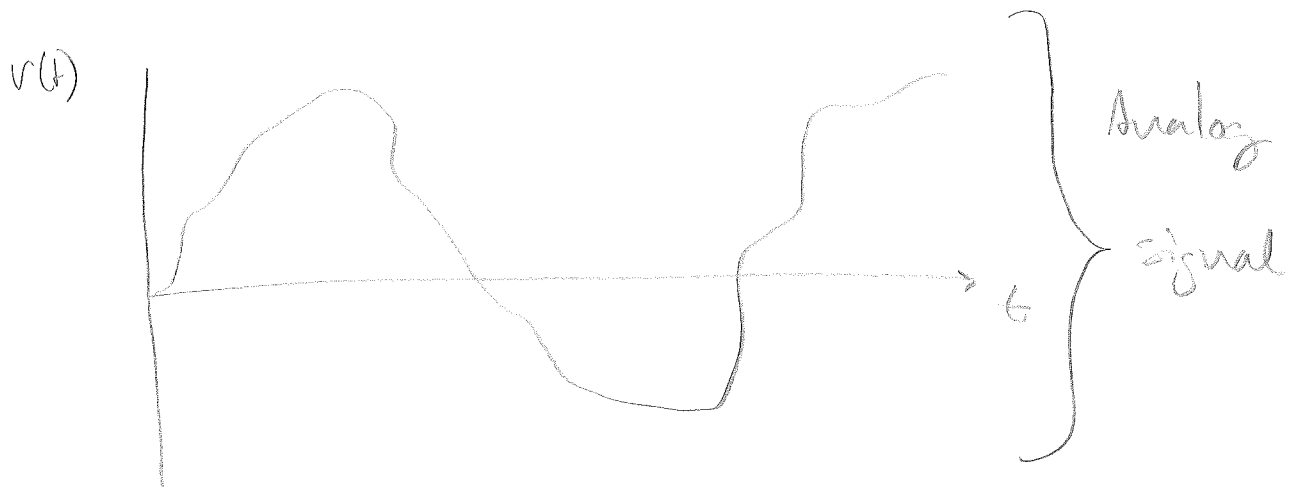
$$i_o = \frac{i_s}{\frac{R_L + R_s}{R_L}} = i_s \frac{R_L}{R_L + R_s}$$

For  $i_s = i_o$   $R_s \gg R_L$  or  $R_s \rightarrow \infty$

Not much control over  $R_s$ . strength.

Design  $R_L$  to minimize or eliminate signal loss.

When source is connected to a load.

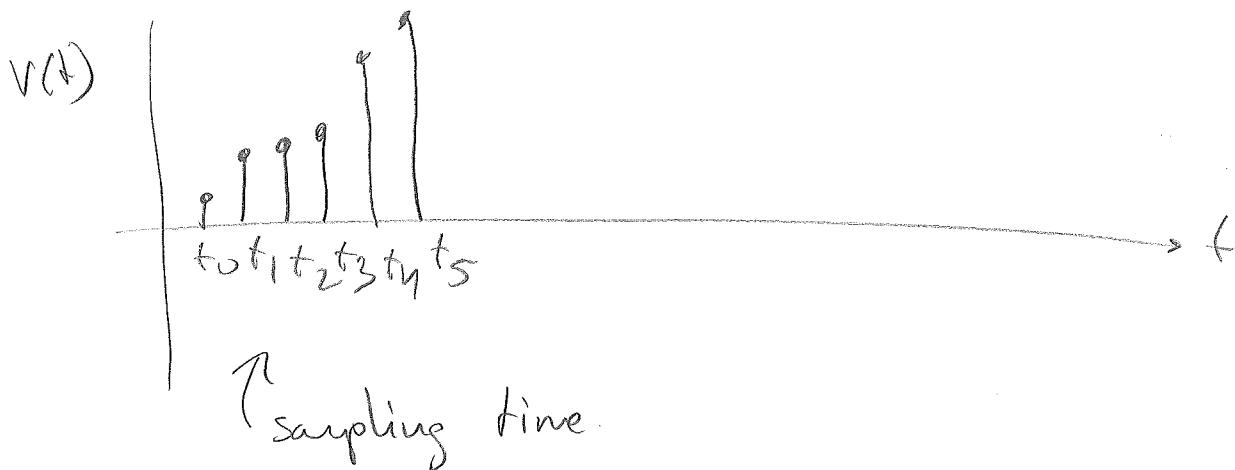
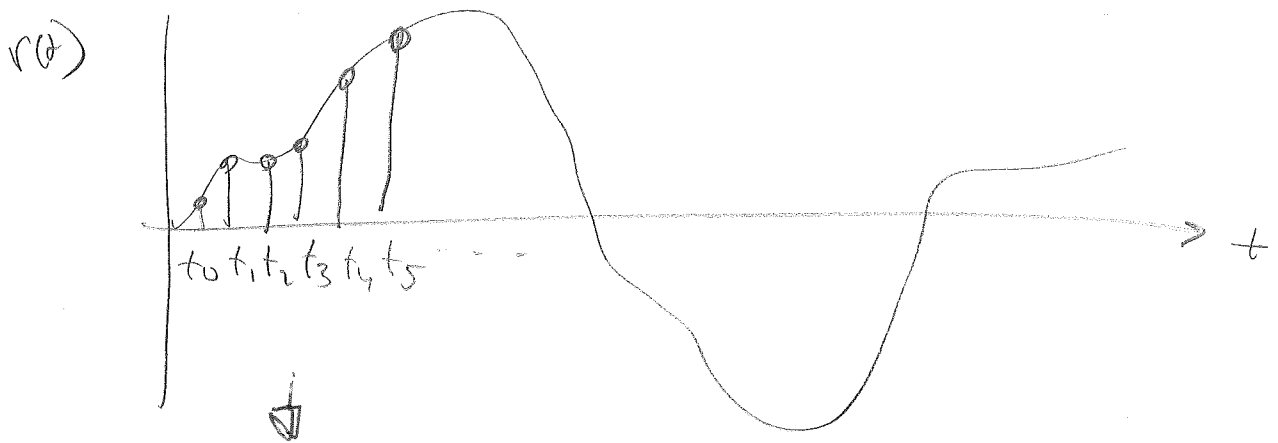
1.3 Analog and digital signals.

Analog signal: Such a signal is analogous to the physical signal it represents.

- \* The magnitude of the signal can take on any value.
  - \* The amplitude of the analog signal exhibits a continuous variation over its range of activity.
  - \* Majority of signals in the world around us are analog.
- Electronic circuits that process such signals are known as analog circuits.

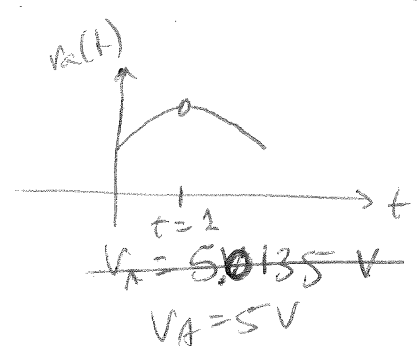
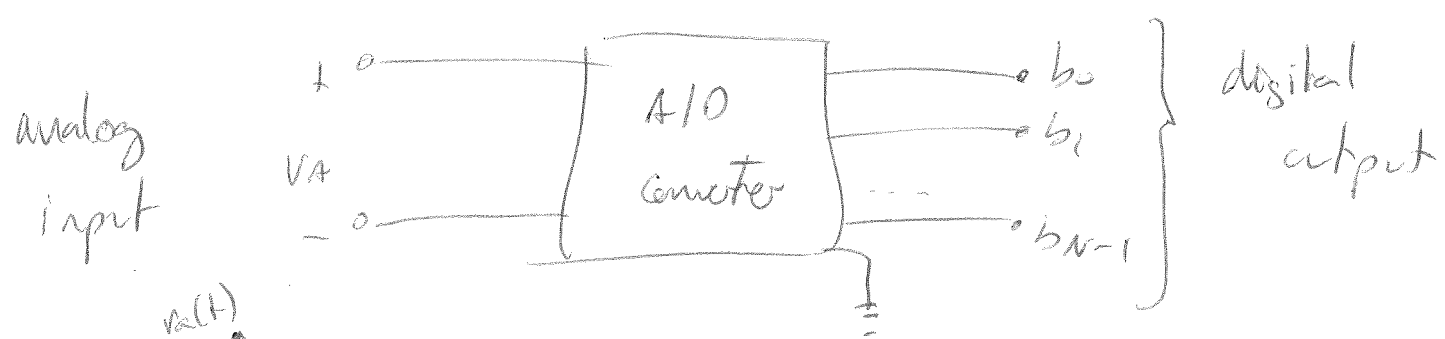
## Digital signal

Signal representation using a sequence of numbers, each number representing the signal magnitude at an instant of time



- Signal is defined only at the sampling instants. It's no longer a continuous function of time but rather, it is a discrete-time signal.
- The signal becomes digitized or quantized or discretized if only a finite number of digits is ~~are~~ used.
- Finite number of binary digits used to represent signal.

→ Binary system is convenient because only two values are possible: 0 or 1. These can be represented by 0V, 5V (CMOS), -5V, 0V (PMOS), 0, 3.3V (Some Advanced), 0, 1.8V (Advanced), 0, 15V, 0, 12V, -12V, 12V } old analog



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→ Digital processing is ~~easy~~ than ~~easy~~ easy accomplished w/ few building blocks.  
 → Analog signals are still important. Mixed-sigals.

## Chapter 14 Amplifiers

Signal amplification.

Amplifier as a circuit building block.

→ consider only external characteristics for now.

→ ~~Transducers~~ (sensors)

Weak signals ( $\mu V$  or  $mV$ )

need amplification.

- sensors
- antennas
- microphones
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→ Processing of weak signals is unreliable.

→ Amplification must be (ideally) linear.

→ changes in shape of original signal are called distortion.

$$v_o(t) = A \cdot v_i(t)$$

$A$  - amplifier gain.

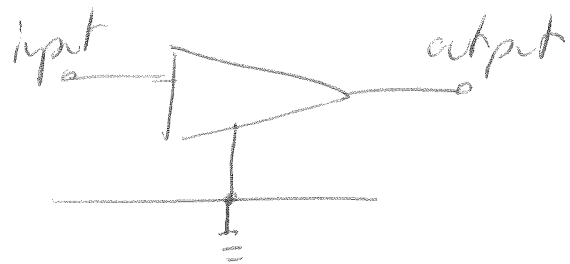
ex: (1) Pre-amplifier in home stereo is a voltage amplifier.

(2) Power amplifiers provide large current gains but modest voltage gains. Drives speaker in home stereo.

→ small voltage signal is converted to large voltage signal.  
amplified

### 1.4.2. Amplifier circuit symbol.

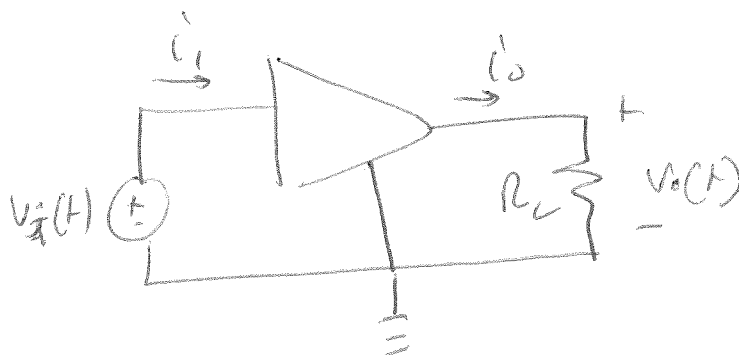
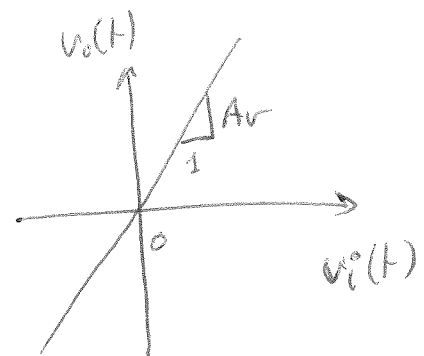
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w/ common ground terminal.

### 1.4.3 Voltage gain

Voltage gain  $\rightarrow A_v = \frac{v_o}{v_i}$



### 1.4.4 Power gain and current gain

Amplifiers increase signal power (transformers do not).

Power gain  $\rightarrow A_p = \frac{\text{load power } (P_L)}{\text{input power } (P_i)} = \frac{v_o i_o}{v_i i_i}$

Current gain  $\rightarrow A_i = \frac{i_o}{i_i}$

And.  $A_p = A_i \cdot A_v$

## 1.4.5 Expressing gain in decibels

→ Gain is expressed either dimensionless & or as expressions on units  $(V/V)$  or  $(A/A)$  or  $(W/W)$

→ Also with a logarithmic measure:

To convert from power to V or A

Voltage gain in decibels =  $20 \cdot \log |A_v|$  dB  
Current " " " =  $20 \cdot \log |A_i|$  dB  
Power " " " =  $10 \cdot \log |A_p|$  dB.  
→ original definition of decibel (10x log)

Gain  $A_v$  can be negative if there is a  $180^\circ$  phase difference between input + output. Not that the amplifier attenuates signal.

Examples.

$v_i (V)$	$v_o (V)$	$A_v (V/V)$	$20 \log  A_v $ dB
1mV	1mV	1	0
1mV	2mV	2	6.02
1mV	10mV	10	20
1mV	100mV	100	40
1mV	1V	1000	60
1V	0.5V	0.5	-6.02
1V	0.1V	0.1	-20
1V	0.01V	0.01	-40
1V	0.001V	0.001	-60

A negative gain in dB indicates that the signal is attenuated



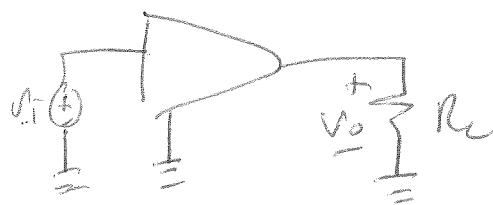
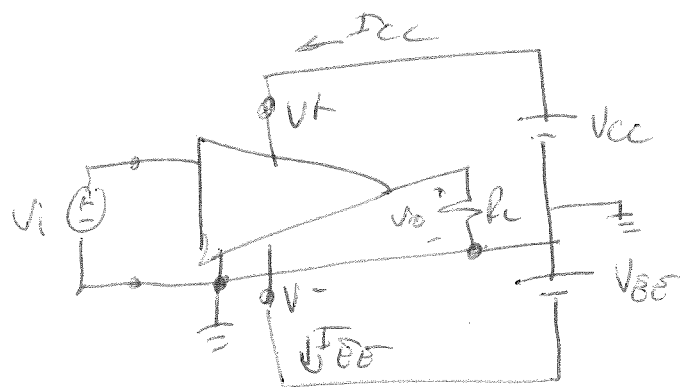
## 4.6 Amplifier power supplies

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? where does the additional power to amplify the signal come from?

→ Amplifier needs DC power supplies for proper operation.

→ DC sources supply power to the load and also power needed for internal operations (dissipated power)



Power supplied  $\rightarrow P_{dc} = V_{CC} I_{CC} + V_{EE} I_{EE}$

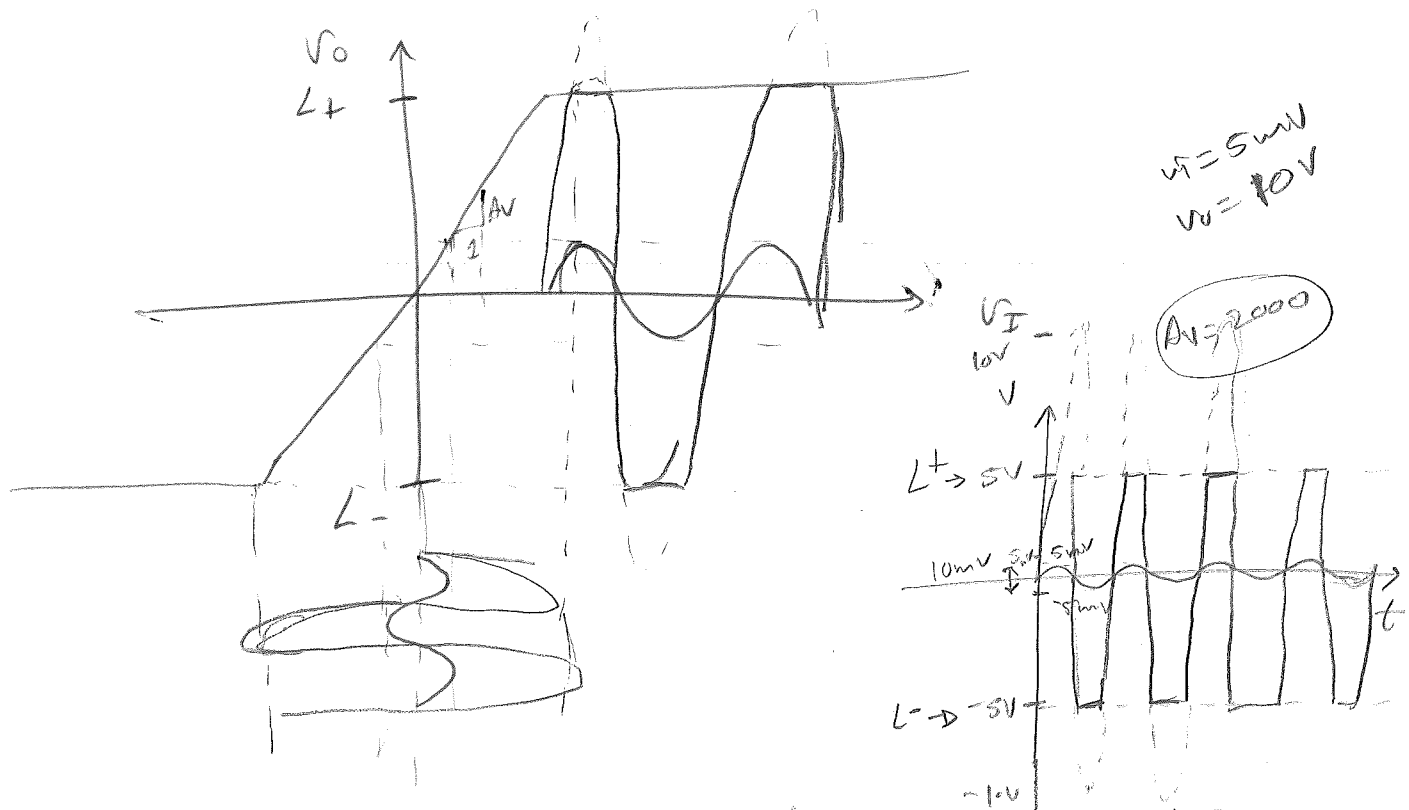
Power balance  $\rightarrow P_{dc} + P_i = P_L + P_{dissipated}$

Power efficiency  $= \eta = \frac{P_L}{P_{dc}} \times 100$

↳ Important parameter for power amplifiers.

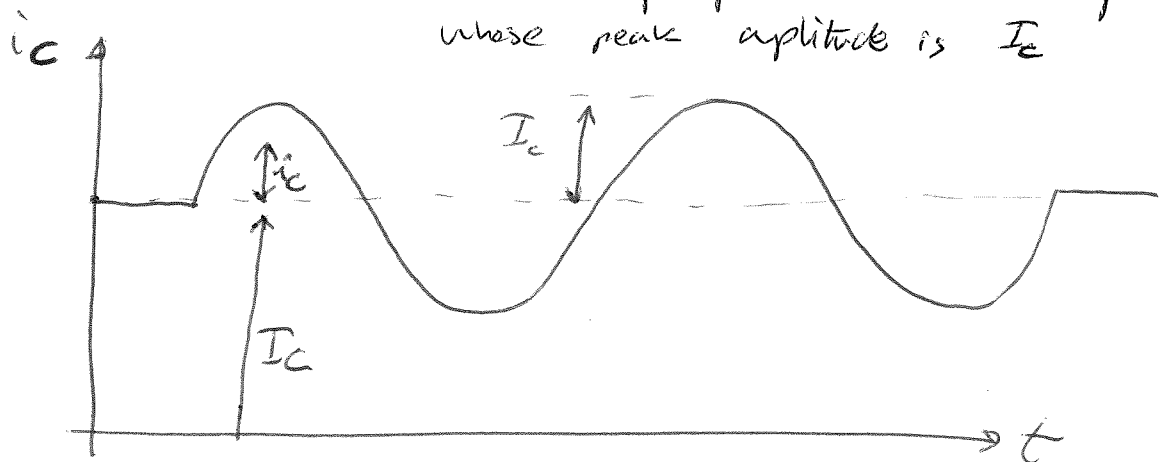
# 1.5 - Circuit models for Amplifiers

## 1.4.7. Amplifier saturation



## 1.4.8 Symbol convention

$i_c(t)$  consists of a dc component  $I_c$  on which is superimposed a sinusoidal component  $i_c(t)$  whose peak amplitude is  $I_c$



$$i_c(t) = I_c + i_c(t)$$

total  
instantaneous  
current

↑ dc component  
↙ sinusoidal component  
instantaneous

## Symbol convention:

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→ Total instantaneous quantities: lower-case symbol w/ uppercase subscript.

$$v_c(t), v_{DS}(t)$$

→ DC quantities: upper-case symbols w/ uppercase subscripts.

$$I_C, V_{DS}$$

→ Incremental signal quantities: lower-case symbol w/ lower-case subscript.

$$i_c(t), v_{gs}(t)$$

→ Sine wave signals: amplitude by uppercase symbol w/ lower case subscripts.

$$I_C, V_{gs}$$

→ Power supplies: upper case letter w/ a double-letter upper case subscript.

$$V_{CC}, V_{DD}, I_{CC}, I_{DD}$$

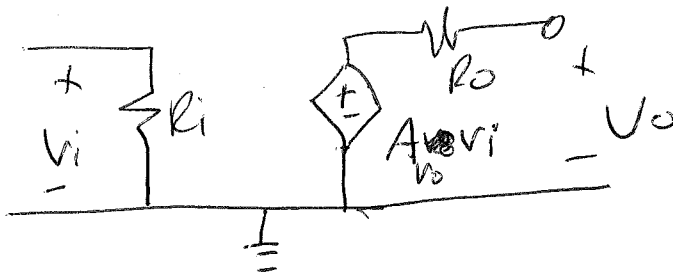
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current drawn from power supplies.

## 1.5 Circuit Models for Amplifiers

Models to represent either single transistor amplifiers or more complex (20 or more transistors/devices) amplifiers.

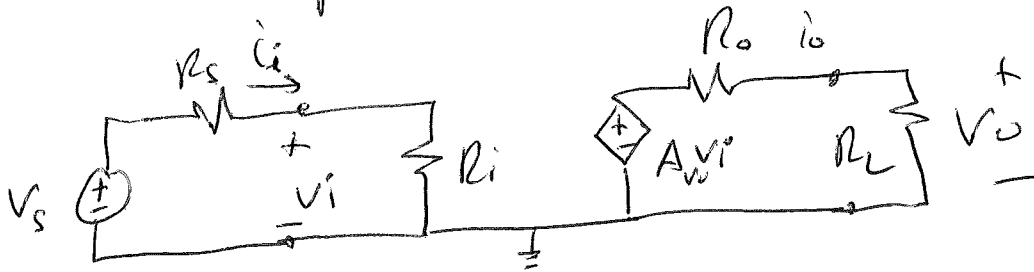
### 1.5.1 Voltage amplifiers model

Circuit model for voltage amplifier



$A_{vo}$  → gain factor of ~~open~~ amplifier, voltage open circuit gain of amplifier.

with input signal source and load.



$$V_o = A_{vo} V_i \frac{R_L}{R_L + R_o}$$

gain factor of amplifier.

gain of circuit →  $A_v = \frac{V_o}{V_s} = \frac{A_{vo} V_i}{V_s} \frac{R_L}{R_L + R_o} = A_{vo} \frac{R_L}{R_L + R_o}$

for max gain  $A_v = A_{vo}$

and  $R_o = 0$  or  $R_L \gg R_o$

→ Also range of value for which  $A_v$  is valid.

Also 
$$v_i = v_s \frac{R_i}{R_i + R_s}$$

$\therefore$  for  $v_i = v_s \rightarrow R_i \gg R_s$  or  $R_i \rightarrow \infty$

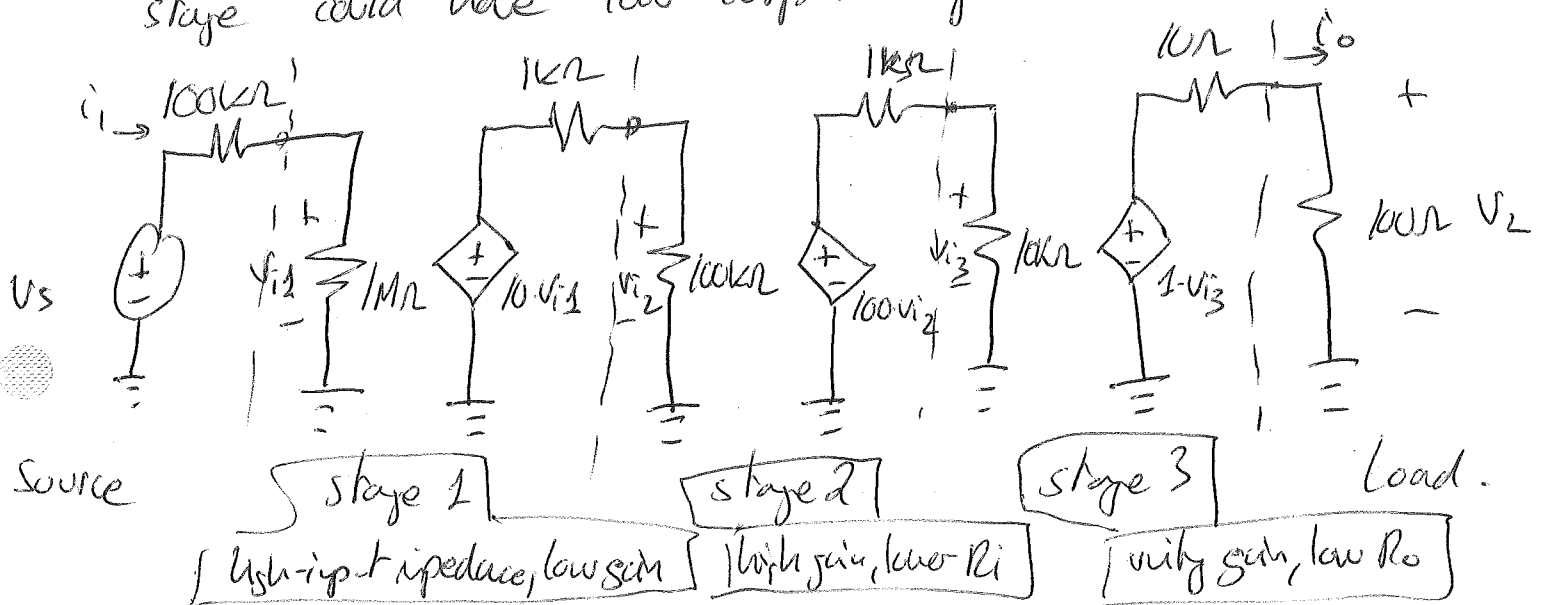
~~Also design~~

Overall gain: 
$$\frac{v_o}{v_s} = A_{v_o} \frac{R_i}{R_i + R_s} \cdot \frac{R_L}{R_i + R_o}$$

Buffer amplifiers are sometimes used when  $R_s$  is large and signal attenuation results.  $|A_{v_o}| = 1$   
~~to increase~~ Also called unity gain amplifiers they provide high input resistance and low output impedance to increase total power.

### 1.5.2 Cascade Amplifiers.

each  
 Cascade of two or more stages, with different characteristics.  
 First stage usually has large input impedance and last stage could have low output impedance.



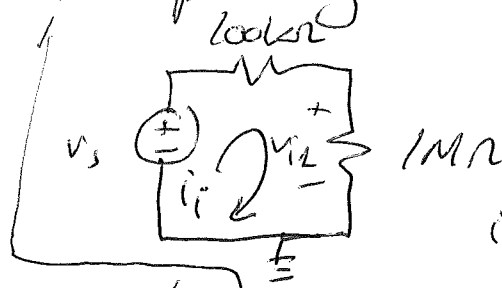
Evaluate  $\frac{v_L}{v_S}$ , current gain and power gain.

$$v = IR$$

Solution

Fraction of  $v_S$  at input of 1st stage:

$$\frac{v_{i1}}{v_S} = \frac{1M\Omega}{1M\Omega + 100k\Omega} = 0.909 \text{ V/V}$$



$$i_i = \frac{v_S}{100k\Omega + 1M\Omega}$$

$$v_{i2} = i_i \cdot 1M\Omega$$

$$v_{i1} = \frac{v_S}{100k\Omega + 1M\Omega} \cdot 1M\Omega$$

$$\frac{v_{i1}}{v_S} = \frac{1M\Omega}{100k\Omega + 1M\Omega}$$

Voltage gain of 1st stage:

$$A_{v1} = \frac{v_{i2}}{v_{i1}} = \frac{10 \cdot i_i \cdot 100k\Omega}{v_{i1}}$$

$$A_{v1} = 9.9 \text{ V/V}$$



Voltage gain of 2nd stage:

$$A_{v2} = \frac{v_{i3}}{v_{i2}} = \frac{100 \cdot v_{i2} \cdot 100k\Omega}{v_{i2} \cdot 100k\Omega + 1k\Omega} = 90.9 \text{ V/V}$$

Voltage gain of output stage (3rd)

$$A_{v3} = \frac{v_L}{v_{i3}} = \frac{1 \cdot v_{i3} \cdot 100\Omega}{v_{i3} \cdot 100\Omega + 100\Omega} = 0.909 \text{ V/V}$$

Total gain of 3 stages in cascade:

$$A_v = \frac{v_L}{v_{i1}} = A_{v1} \cdot A_{v2} \cdot A_{v3} = 818 \text{ V/V}$$

$$\text{or } 20 \cdot \log 818 = 58.3 \text{ dB}$$

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Voltage gain from source to load.

$$v_{i1} = 0.909 \cdot v_s$$

~~$$v_s = 0.909 \cdot v_{i1}$$~~

$$\frac{v_L}{v_s} = \frac{A_v \cdot v_{i1}}{v_s}$$

$$= 0.909 \cdot 818 = 743.6 \text{ V/V}$$

$$\text{or } 57.4 \text{ dB} = 20 \cdot \log(743.6)$$

Current gain:

$$A_i = \frac{i_o}{i_i} = \frac{v_L / 100 \Omega}{v_{i1} / 1 \text{ M}\Omega} = 10^4 \cdot \frac{v_L}{v_{i1}} = (10^4 / 818)$$

$$= 8.18 \times 10^6 \text{ A/A}$$

$$\text{or } 138.3 \text{ dB} = 20 \cdot \log(8.16 \times 10^6)$$

Power gain:

$$A_p = \frac{P_L}{P_i} = \frac{v_L \cdot i_o}{v_{i1} \cdot i_i}$$

$$A_p = A_v \cdot A_i = (818) (8.18 \times 10^6) = 66.9 \times 10^8 \text{ W/W}$$

$$\text{or } 10 \cdot \log(66.9 \times 10^8) = 98.3 \text{ dB}$$

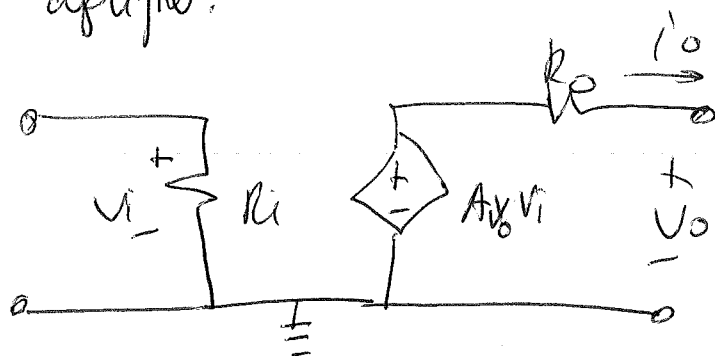
$$\text{or } A_p(\text{dB}) = \frac{1}{2} [A_v(\text{dB}) + A_i(\text{dB})]$$

# 1.5.3 Other amplifiers types.

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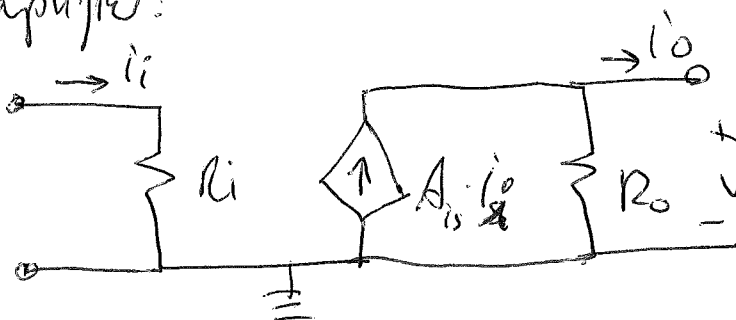
voltage amplifier:



Gain Parameter Ideal Characteristics

open-circuit voltage gain  $R_i = \infty$   
 $A_{vo} = \frac{V_o}{V_i} \bigg|_{I_o=0} \left( \frac{V}{V} \right)$   $R_o = 0$

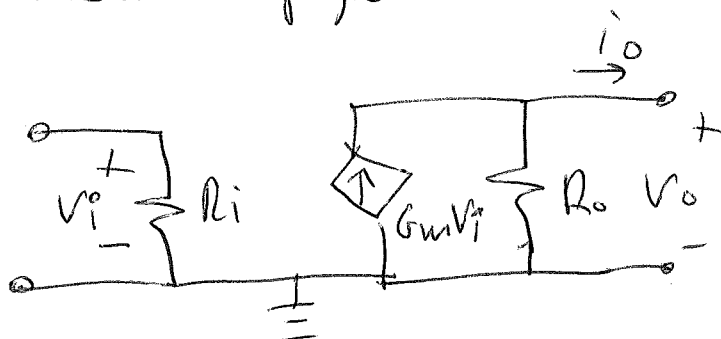
Current amplifier:



short-circuit current gain  $R_i = 0$

$A_{is} = \frac{I_o}{I_i} \bigg|_{V_o=0} \left( \frac{A}{A} \right)$   $R_o = \infty$

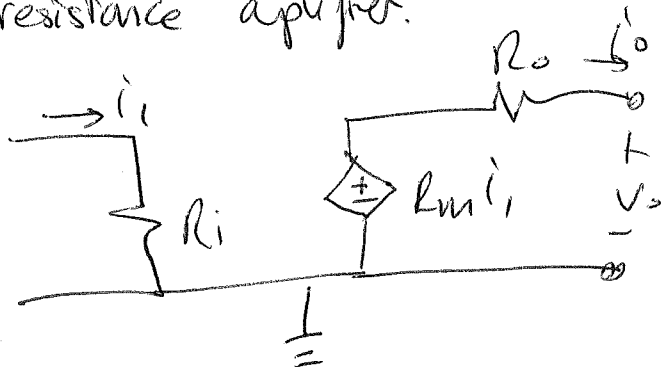
Transconductance amplifier.



short-circuit transconductance  $R_i = \infty$

$G_m = \frac{I_o}{V_i} \bigg|_{V_o=0} \left( \frac{A}{V} \right)$   $R_o = \infty$

Transresistance amplifier.



open-circuit transresistance  $R_i = 0$

$R_m = \frac{V_o}{I_i} \bigg|_{I_o=0} \left( \frac{V}{A} \right)$   $R_o = 0$