## ENEE 303 Recitation 09

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#### Week Notes

- Three basic configurations of transistor amplifiers and characterizing these amplifiers
  - Common source/emitter
  - Common gate/base
  - Common drain/collector
- 4 example problems + 1 optional example problem

## Basic configurations

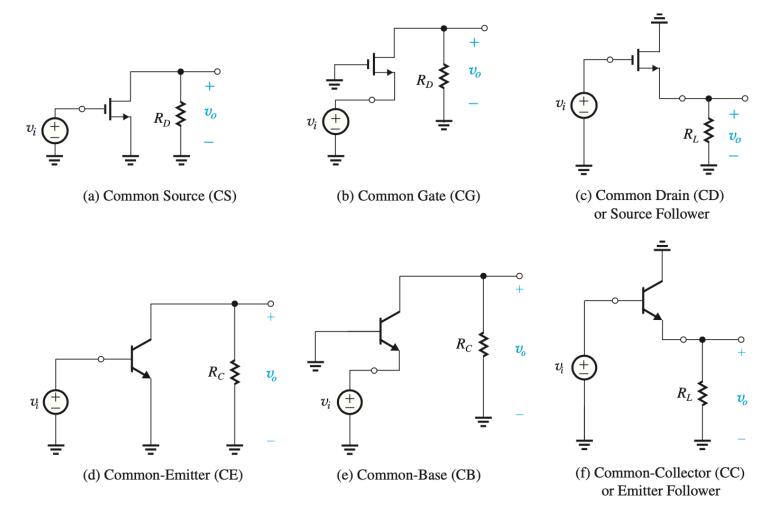
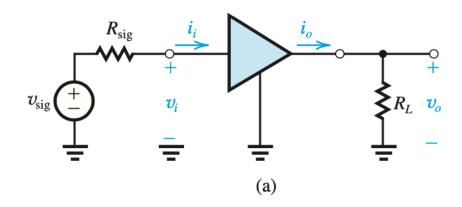
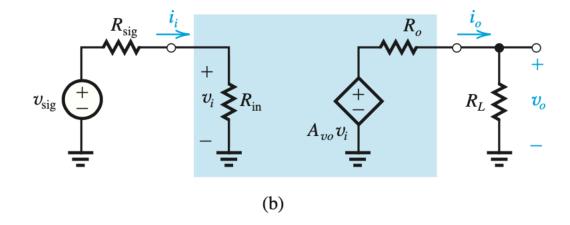


Figure 7.33 The basic configurations of transistor amplifiers. (a)–(c) For the MOSFET; (d)–(f) for the BJT.

#### Characterizing transistor amplifiers



Unilateral amplifier: input resistance is independent of load resistance



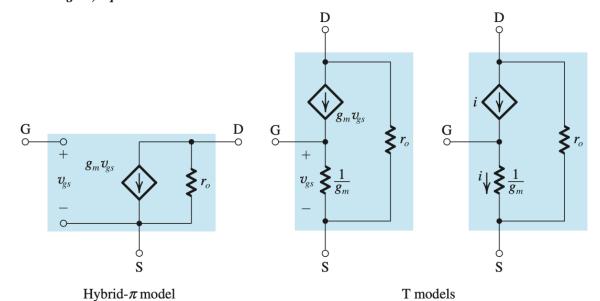
$$R_{
m in} \equiv rac{v_i}{i_i} \hspace{0.5cm} A_{vo} \equiv \left. rac{v_o}{v_i} 
ight|_{R_L = \infty} \hspace{0.5cm} R_o = rac{v_x}{i_x}$$

$$A_{\scriptscriptstyle v} \equiv rac{v_{\scriptscriptstyle o}}{v_{\scriptscriptstyle i}} = A_{\scriptscriptstyle vo} rac{R_{\scriptscriptstyle L}}{R_{\scriptscriptstyle L} + R_{\scriptscriptstyle o}} \hspace{1cm} G_{\scriptscriptstyle v} \equiv rac{v_{\scriptscriptstyle o}}{v_{\scriptscriptstyle 
m sig}}$$

#### Small signal models

#### **MOSFET**

Small-Signal, Equivalent-Circuit Models



Small signal condition:  $v_{gs} \ll 2(V_{GS} - V_t)$ 

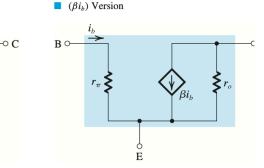
$$g_m \equiv \frac{\partial i_D}{\partial v_{GS}} \bigg|_{v_{GS} = V_{GS}} = k_n (V_{GS} - V_t)$$

$$A_v \equiv \frac{v_{ds}}{v_{gs}} = -g_m R_L$$

#### BJT

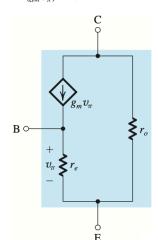
Hybrid- $\pi$  Model

 $(g_m v_\pi)$  Version

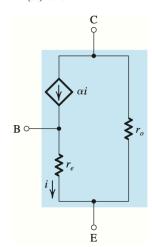


T Model

 $(g_m v_\pi)$  Version



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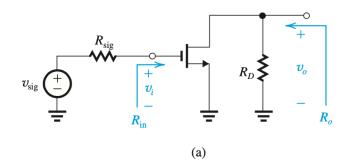
$$v_{be} \ll V_T$$

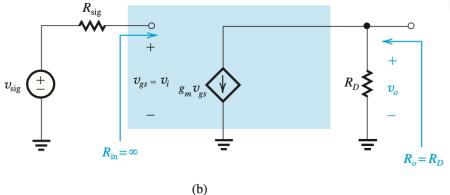
$$g_m = \left. \frac{\partial i_C}{\partial v_{BE}} \right|_{i_C = I_C} = \frac{I_C}{V_T} \qquad r_\pi = 0$$

$$A_v \equiv \frac{v_{ce}}{v_{be}} = -g_m R_0$$

#### The common-source/emitter amplifiers

Characteristics of the CS amplifier





$$R_{\mathrm{in}} = \infty$$
 $v_i = v_{\mathrm{sig}}$ 
 $A_{vo} \equiv \frac{v_o}{v_i} = -g_m R_D$ 
 $A_{vo} \equiv R_D$ 
 $R_o = R_D$ 

If a load resistance  $R_L$  is connected across  $R_D$ , the voltage gain  $A_v$  can be obtained

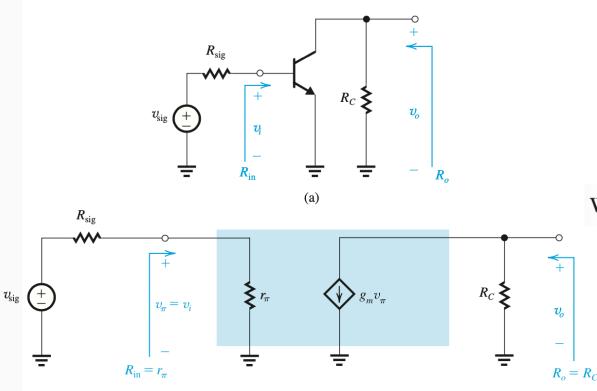
$$A_v = -g_m(R_D \| R_L)$$

$$G_v \equiv \frac{v_o}{v_{\text{sig}}} = -g_m(R_D \| R_L)$$

**Figure 7.35** (a) Common-source amplifier fed with a signal  $v_{\text{sig}}$  from a generator with a resistance  $R_{\text{sig}}$ . The bias circuit is omitted. (b) The common-source amplifier with the MOSFET replaced with its hybrid- $\pi$  model.

#### The common-source/emitter amplifiers

Characteristics of the CE amplifier



$$R_{\mathrm{in}} = r_{\pi}$$
  $v_{i} = \frac{r_{\pi}}{r_{\pi} + R_{\mathrm{sig}}} v_{\mathrm{sig}}$   $A_{vo} \equiv \frac{v_{o}}{v_{i}} = -g_{m}R_{C}$ 
 $v_{\pi} = v_{i}$ 
 $v_{o} = -g_{m}v_{\pi}R_{C}$   $R_{o} = R_{C}$ 

With a load resistance  $R_L$  connected across  $R_C$ ,

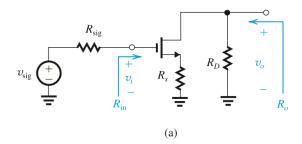
$$A_v = -g_m(R_C \| R_L)$$

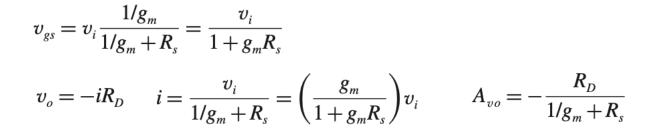
$$G_v = -\frac{r_\pi}{r_\pi + R_{\text{sig}}} g_m (R_C \parallel R_L)$$

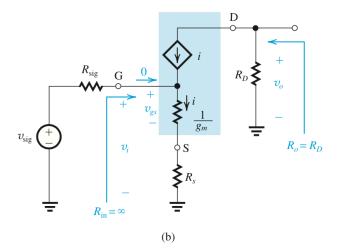
**Figure 7.36** (a) Common-emitter amplifier fed with a signal  $v_{\text{sig}}$  from a generator with a resistance  $R_{\text{sig}}$ . The bias circuit is omitted. (b) The common-emitter amplifier circuit with the BJT replaced by its hybrid- $\pi$  model.

# The common-source/emitter amplifiers with a source/emitter resistance

Characteristics of the CS amplifier with a source resistance







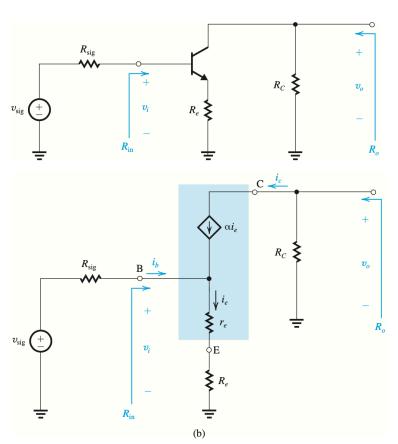
consider the situation of a load resistance 
$$R_L$$
 connected at the output

$$A_v = -\frac{g_m(R_D \parallel R_L)}{1 + g_m R_s}$$

Figure 7.37 The CS amplifier with a source resistance  $R_s$ : (a) circuit without bias details; (b) equivalent circuit with the MOSFET represented by its T model.

## The common-source/emitter amplifiers with a source/emitter resistance

Characteristics of the CE amplifier with a source resistance



of the CE amplifier with a source resistance
$$R_{\text{in}} = (\beta + 1)(r_e + R_e) \qquad \frac{R_{\text{in}}(\text{with } R_e \text{ included})}{R_{\text{in}}(\text{without } R_e)} = \frac{(\beta + 1)(r_e + R_e)}{(\beta + 1)r_e}$$

$$= 1 + \frac{R_e}{r_e} \simeq 1 + g_m R_e$$

$$A_{vo} = -\alpha \frac{R_C}{r_e + R_e} \simeq -\frac{g_m R_C}{1 + g_m R_e}$$

If a load resistance  $R_L$  is connected at the amplifier output,  $A_n$  can be found as

$$A_v = A_{vo} \frac{R_L}{R_L + R_o}$$

$$= -\alpha \frac{R_C}{r_e + R_e} \frac{R_L}{R_L + R_C}$$

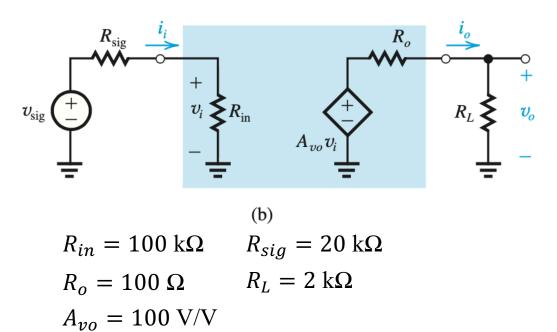
$$= -\alpha \frac{R_C \parallel R_L}{r_e + R_e}$$

$$G_v = -\beta \frac{R_C \parallel R_L}{R_{\text{sig}} + (\beta + 1)(r_e + R_e)}$$

Figure 7.38 The CE amplifier with an emitter resistance R; (a) circuit without bias details; (b) equivalent circuit with the BJT replaced with its T model.

#### Example problem 1

An amplifier with an input resistance of  $100 \text{ k}\Omega$ , an open-circuit voltage gain of 100 V/V, and an output resistance of  $100 \Omega$  is connected between a  $20 \text{ k}\Omega$  signal source and a  $2 \text{ k}\Omega$  load. Find the overall voltage gain  $G_v$ . Also find the current gain, defined as the ratio of the load current to the current drawn from the signal source.



$$G_{v} \equiv \frac{v_{o}}{v_{\text{sig}}}$$

$$v_{i} = \frac{R_{in}}{R_{in} + R_{sig}} v_{sig}$$

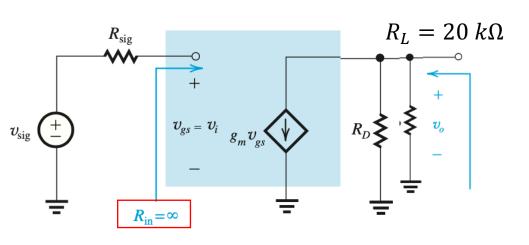
$$v_{o} = \frac{R_{L}}{R_{o} + R_{L}} A_{vo} v_{i} = \frac{R_{L}}{R_{o} + R_{L}} A_{vo} \frac{R_{in}}{R_{in} + R_{sig}} v_{sig}$$

$$G_{v} = \frac{R_{L}}{R_{o} + R_{L}} A_{vo} \frac{R_{in}}{R_{in} + R_{sig}} = 952 \text{ V/V}$$

$$i \frac{v_{o}}{R_{in} + R_{sig}} v_{sig}$$

#### Example Problem 2

7.21 A CS amplifier utilizes a MOSFET biased at  $I_D = 0.25$  mA with  $V_{OV} = 0.25$  V and  $R_D = 20$  k $\Omega$ . The amplifier is fed with a signal source having  $R_{\rm sig} = 100$  k $\Omega$ , and a 20-k $\Omega$  load is connected to the output. Find  $R_{\rm in}$ ,  $A_{vo}$ ,  $R_o$ ,  $A_v$ , and  $G_v$ . If, to maintain reasonable linearity, the peak of the input sine-wave signal is limited to 10% of  $2V_{OV}$ , what is the peak of the sine-wave voltage at the output?



$$I_D = \frac{1}{2}k_n V_{OV}^2 \qquad g_m = \frac{i_d}{v_{gs}} = k_n V_{OV}$$

$$g_m = \frac{2I_D}{V_{OV}} = 2 mS$$

$$R_O = R_D$$

$$A_{vo} = -g_m R_0 = -4 \text{ V/V}$$

$$A_v = \frac{v_o}{v_i} = -g_m(R_D||R_L) = -20 \text{ V/V}$$

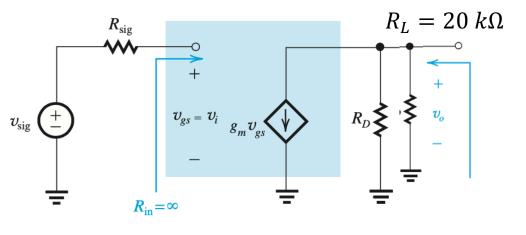
$$G_v = \frac{v_o}{v_{sig}} = \frac{v_o}{v_i} = A_v$$

$$|v_{sig}| = 10\%(2V_{OV}) = 0.05 V$$

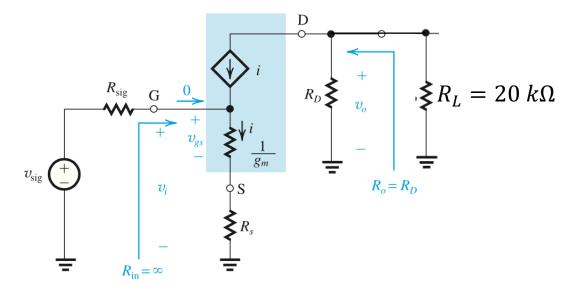
$$|v_0| = G_V |v_{sig}| = 1 V$$

#### Example problem 3

7.23 In Exercise 7.21 we applied an input signal  $v_{\rm sig}$  of 50 mV peak and obtained an output signal of approximately 1 V peak. Assume that for some reason we now have an input signal  $v_{\rm sig}$  that is 0.2 V peak and that we wish to modify the circuit to keep  $v_{\rm gs}$  unchanged, and thus keep the nonlinear distortion from increasing. What value should we use for  $R_s$ ? What value of  $G_v$  will result? What will the peak signal at the output become? Assume  $r_o = \infty$ .



$$|A_v| = \frac{v_o}{v_i} = 20 \ V/V$$



#### Example problem 3 continued

$$v_{gs} = \frac{\frac{1}{g_m}}{\frac{1}{g_m} + R_s} v_i = \frac{1}{1 + g_m R_s} v_{sig} \qquad R_s = \frac{1}{g_m} \left( \frac{v_{sig}}{v_{gs}} - 1 \right) = 1.5 \text{ k}\Omega \qquad v_{gs} = 50 \text{ mV}$$

$$R_s = \frac{1}{g_m} \left( \frac{v_{sig}}{v_{gs}} - 1 \right) = 1.5 \ k\Omega$$

$$v_{sig} = 200 \, mV$$
$$v_{gs} = 50 \, mV$$

$$G_v = A_v = -\frac{g_m(R_D || R_L)}{1 + g_m R_s} = -5 V/V$$

$$|v_0| = G_V |v_{sig}| = 1 V$$

#### Example problem 4

- Design a CE amplifier with a resistance  $R_e$  in the emitter to meet the following specifications:
  - (i) Input resistance  $R_{in} = 15 \text{ k}\Omega$ .
  - (ii) When fed from a signal source with a peak amplitude of 0.15 V and a source resistance of 30 k $\Omega$ , the peak amplitude of  $v_{BE}$  is 5 mV.
- Specify  $R_e$  and the bias current  $I_C$ . The BJT has  $\beta=74$ . If the total resistance in the collector is 6 k $\Omega$ , find the overall voltage gain  $G_v$  and the peak amplitude of the output signal  $v_o$ .

#### Example problem 4 continued

$$R_{in} = \frac{v_i}{i_b}$$

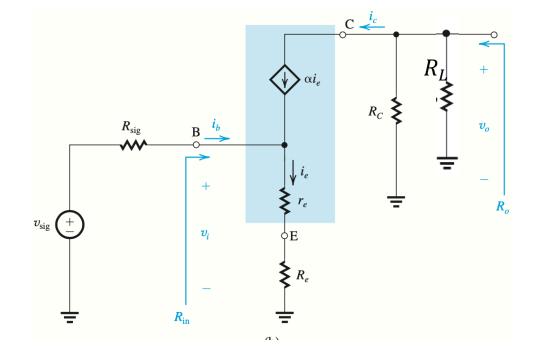
$$i_e = i_b + i_c = (1 + \beta)i_b$$

$$v_i = i_e(r_e + R_e)$$

$$i_b = \frac{i_e}{1 + \beta}$$

$$R_{in} = (1+\beta)(r_e + R_e) = 15 \text{ k}\Omega$$

$$\begin{split} \frac{v_{BE}}{v_i} &= \frac{r_e}{r_e + R_e} \\ v_i &= i_b R_{in} \qquad i_b = \frac{v_{sig} - v_i}{R_{sig}} \\ v_i &= (v_{sig} - v_i) \frac{R_{in}}{R_{sig}} \\ v_i &= \frac{v_{sig}}{(1 + \frac{R_{in}}{R_{sig}})} \qquad \frac{v_{BE}}{v_{sig}} = \frac{r_e}{r_e + R_e} \frac{R_{sig}}{R_{sig} + R_{in}} \end{split}$$



Input resistance  $R_{in}$  = 15 k $\Omega$ 

$$R_{sig} = 30 \text{ k}\Omega$$

$$v_{sig} = 0.15 V$$

$$v_{BE} = 5 mV$$

$$\beta = 74$$

 $r_e = 100 \Omega$ 

 $R_e = 200 \Omega$ 

#### Example problem 4 continued

$$v_i = \frac{v_{sig}}{(1 + \frac{R_{in}}{R_{sig}})} = 0.1 V$$
  $i_e = \frac{v_i}{(r_e + R_e)} = 50 \ \mu A$ 

$$i_c = \alpha i_e$$
  $\alpha = \frac{\beta}{1+\beta}$   $i_c = 49.3 \,\mu A$ 

$$G_v = -\beta \frac{R_C \| R_L}{R_{\text{sig}} + (\beta + 1)(r_e + R_e)} = -9.86 \text{ V/V}$$

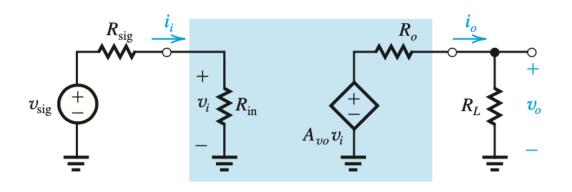
$$A_v = \frac{v_o}{v_i} = -\alpha \frac{R_c || R_L}{r_e + R_e}$$

$$v_o = -\alpha \frac{R_c || R_L}{r_e + R_e} v_i = -2.96 \text{ V}$$

#### Example problem 5 (optional)

- Specify the parameters  $R_{\rm in}$ ,  $A_{\rm vo}$ , and  $R_{\rm o}$  of an amplifier that is to be connected between a 100-k $\Omega$  source and a 2-k $\Omega$  load and is required to meet the following specifications:
- (a) No more than 5% of the signal strength is lost in the connection to the amplifier input;
- (b) If the load resistance changes from the nominal value of 2 k $\Omega$  to a low value of 1 k $\Omega$ , the change in output voltage is limited to 5% of nominal value; and
- (c) The nominal overall voltage gain is 10 V/V.

#### Example problem 5 continued



$$R_{sig} = 100 \text{ k}\Omega$$
  $|v_i| = 0.95 |v_{sig}| = \frac{R_{in}}{R_{in} + R_{sig}} |v_{sig}|$   $R_{in} = 1.9 M\Omega$ 

$$\begin{split} v_{0@2k} &= A_{Vo} \frac{R_{2k}}{R_{2k} + R_o} \frac{R_{in}}{R_{in} + R_{sig}} v_{sig} \\ v_{0@1k} &= A_{Vo} \frac{R_{1k}}{R_{1k} + R_o} \frac{R_{in}}{R_{in} + R_{sig}} v_{sig} \\ \end{split}$$

## Example problem 5 continued

$$\frac{v_{0@1k}}{v_{0@2k}} = \frac{\frac{R_{1k}}{R_{1k} + R_o}}{\frac{R_{2k}}{R_{2k} + R_o}} \quad \text{, where } v_{0@1k} = 0.95 v_{0@2k}$$

$$R_o = 111 \Omega$$

$$G_v = \frac{v_o}{v_{sig}} = A_{Vo} \frac{R_{1k}}{R_{1k} + R_o} \frac{R_{in}}{R_{in} + R_{sig}} = 10 \ V/V$$

$$A_{Vo} = 11.7 \, V/V$$